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REGITEC SOLAR MODULE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL

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PURPOSE

This manual provided by REGITEC Solar BV (hereinafter referred to as REGITEC), and recommends safe and reliable solar module installation and maintenance instructions for our customers.

Before installation, the installer must read and understand this manual. If you have any questions, please contact sales or customer service staff of REGITEC for further understanding. When installing, the installer shall comply with all safety precautions and installation laws and regulations in this manual. The installation personnel should be familiar with the mechanical load and electrical requirements of the installation system, and REGITEC has the right to refuse to compensate for the damage of the modules caused by the operation reasons or design defects of the power generation system.

SCOPE

This document applies to the installation of REGITEC Solar BV (including all factories) conventional single/dual glass modules.

OBLIGATIONS

PV Module R&D Center: responsible for the preparation, update and maintenance of this document.

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1. Manual Introduction

Thank you for choosing Solar PV modules from REGITEC Solar BV (hereinafter called REGITEC).

In order to ensure that the Solar modules are installed correctly, please read the following installation manual carefully before you start installing and using the solar modules.

Please let the well-trained professional to engage the Solar module's installation, running and maintenance due to these works are based on the professional knowledge. The personnel for the installation should be familiar with the mechanical and electrical requirements.

Please get contact with REGITEC After-service Department (service@regitecsolar.com) or REGITEC local agency if you want to get more details or if there's any question.

2. Applicable Products

REGITEC's photovoltaic solar module is a DC power supply, which has the character of high reliability and nearly no-maintenance. It can be used in power systems of remote areas, home power systems, renewable energy vehicles, hydropower stations, water pumps, communication system or constitute solar photovoltaic power station directly.

These systems not only can be used by battery, but also can be used by grid-connection directly without battery.

This document is applicable to the following PV Solar Modules types:

132 cells: RMH(T)(H)66-xxx (xxx = 670-740, in increment of 5)
120 cells: RMH(T)(H)60- xxx (xxx=605-645, in increment of 5)
110 cells: RMH(T)(H)55- xxx (xxx=555-605, in increment of 5)

156 cells: RMH(T)(H)78-xxx (xxx = 560-640, in increment of 5)
144 cells: RMH(T)(H)72-xxx (xxx = 520-595, in increment of 5)
132 cells: RM(T)(H)66-xxx (xxx = 475-530, in increment of 5)
120 cells: RMH(T)(H)60-xxx (xxx = 430-485, in increment of 5)
108 cells: RMH(T)(H)54-xxx (xxx = 310-460, in increment of 5)
96 cells: RMH(T)(H)48-xxx (xxx = 345-390, in increment of 5)
84 cells: RMH(T)(H)42-xxx (xxx = 300-345, in increment of 5)
72 cells: RMH(T)(H)36-xxx (xxx = 260-300, in increment of 5)
60 cells: RMH(T)(H)30-xxx (xxx = 215-250, in increment of 5)
48 cells: RMH(T)(H)24- xxx (xxx = 175-205, in increment of 5)
42 cells: RMH(T)(H)21-xxx (xxx = 150-180, in increment of 5)
36 cells: RMH(T)(H)18-xxx (xxx = 130-140, in increment of 5)
30 cells: RMH(T)(H)15-xxx (xxx = 110-115, in increment of 5)
26 cells: RMH(T)(H)13-xxx (xxx = 95-110, in increment of 5)
18 cells: RMH(T)(H)9-xxx (xxx = 65-70, in increment of 5)
16 cells: RMH(T)(H)8-60
14 cells: RMH(T)(H)7-50

156 cells: RMH78-xxx (xxx = 465-500, in increment of 5)
144 cells: RMH72-xxx (xxx = 430-465, in increment of 5)
132 cells: RMH66-xxx (xxx = 395-425, in increment of 5)
120 cells: RMH60-xxx (xxx = 360-385, in increment of 5)
108 cells: RMH54-xxx (xxx = 325-345, in increment of 5)

The detail parameter can be gotten from the official module datasheet from our website (<https://www.regitecsolar.com>)

The Solar PV modules described in this manual are terrestrial used only, cannot be used in space. The high-altitude influence to module operation should be considered when the modules are installed in high altitude area. The maximum altitude the PV module is designed for is up to 2000m.

3. Warning

Please read and understand all the safety cautions before the solar module installation, wiring, operation and maintenance. When exposed to the sun light or other light sources directly, the solar modules will generate Direct Current, there will be the risk to cause people death when touching the electrical part like the connectors/terminals no matter whether the modules are connected or not

4. Safety Cautions

In the installation and maintenance, all the Safety Cautions mentioned in this manual should be followed, in the meantime, all the requirements defined by local law, authority agency or government should be followed.

Failed to follow this manual or the above rules/law will cause the fail of our Limited Warranty to the modules.

- Please get contact with local authority agency to confirm if the installation is legally allowed and meets the installation inspection requirements before installing the PV system.
- When designing the PV system, please be sure to consider about the voltage change under different temperatures (please check the temperature coefficients of all solar modules, when the temperature drops, the variable output voltage of the module will rise).
- The shading on the module surface will affect the power generation much, the module should be installed in the place where the module cannot be shadowed totally (such as the shadow from building, chimney and tree etc.), and even the partially shading (such as the dirt, snow and aerial wire etc.) should be avoided.

- The solar modules should be kept inside the original packaging before installation. In the transportation and storage period, please do NOT damage the packaging. The packaging cannot be opened unless at the installation site. It is recommended to open the packaging according to the opening procedure and handle this procedure carefully. It is forbidden to let the packaged module dropped directly.
- Please ensure the correct and proper method of transportation and installation, otherwise it could cause module damage.
- The maximum limit of the stack layer is defined in the outer packaging carton box, please do NOT stack the modules more than this limit. Before opening the packaging, please keep it in a ventilated, rainproof and dry place.
- It is prohibited to stand, climb, walk and jump on the unpacked packaging.
- To avoid damaging the module and to avoid affecting the module safety, please never put any heavy or sharp objects on the front and rear surface of the module at any time.
- When opening the packing box, please use professional and proper tools which can avoid the inclining and dropping of the module. It is forbidden to put the module in a place without any supports or fixtures.
- Never handle and move the module via the cable or the J-Box at any time. At least 2 personnel with non-slip gloves are required to handle one module at the same time. Do NOT carry the module via overhead and do NOT handle the stacked modules for moving.
- Please store the modules in a ventilated, rainproof and dry place when the temporary storage is needed.
- Please ensure all the solar modules and electrical contact parts are clean and dry in the installation.
- Do NOT install any solar module when it is raining, snowing and strong windy.
- Artificially concentrated sunlight shall NOT be directed on the module.

- Use durable, rust-resistant and UV-resistant materials to fabricate the module bracket structures which have been tested, certified and approved.
- When the modules were installed on the brackets, the brackets structure should have the ability to bear the wind- and snow load at site. And please ensure these loads will not exceed the maximum load design of the module.
- The solar modules with the glass broken or the back-sheet damaged cannot be repaired and CANNOT be used, there will be the electrical shock risk in case to touch the surface or frame of these kind of modules. Do NOT try to disassemble the module, and do NOT remove or damage the module nameplate and any other parts of the module.
- It is FORBIDDEN to stand on the modules in the installation progress, and do NOT damage or scratch the glass surface of the module.
- Do NOT apply any paint or glue to the module glass surface.
- The Solar PV modules will generate electrical power when exposed to the sunlight, and this power is sufficient to cause fatal electrical shock and burning risk. Only authorized personnel who's professional trained can be close to the solar PV module.
- To avoid the electrical shock and burning risk, the opaque material can be used to cover the modules in the installation.
- To avoid the electrical shock risk by damaged module, please do NOT wear metal objects such as a ring, watch, ear ring and nose ring in the term of the installation and maintenance.
- Do NOT disconnect any electrical connections or unplug any connectors under circuit load.
- In order to prevent the degradation of the solar module insulation ability, please avoid scratching and cutting any cables or connectors.
- Use well insulated tools in accordance with relevant electrical installation standards. Keep children away from the installation site during transportation and assembly.

- The installation shall comply with local safety regulations (e.g., safety regulations, plant operation regulations, etc.), including wires and cables, connectors, charging controllers, inverters, batteries, rechargeable batteries, etc.
- Under the requirements of the NEC (National Electrical Code), the maximum system voltage shall not be higher than 1500V. And the actual system voltage is specified on the nameplate of the solar module you are using.
- Under normal conditions, a mono-facial dual glass PV module is likely to experience conditions that produce more current and/ or voltage than reported at standard test conditions. The requirements of the National Electrical Code (NEC) in Article 690 shall be followed to address these increased outputs. In installations not under the requirements of the NEC, the values of I_{sc} and V_{oc} marked on this module should be multiplied by a factor of 1.25 when determining module voltage ratings, conductor ampacities, overcurrent device ratings, and size of controls connected to the PV output; for bifacial dual glass module, additional factor of 1.1 should be multiplied at the same time.
- The REGITEC Solar PV module is designed according to the IEC61215 and IEC61730, The application level is Class A, which can be used in systems operating at greater than 50 V DC or 240 W, where general contact access is anticipated, and the REGITEC solar module also passed the IEC61730-1 and IEC61730-2, it meets the requirements of safety class 2.
- Modules with exposed conductive parts should be grounded according to the instructions in the installation manual and the electrical specifications required by local regulations, For use in regions or countries where UL1703 is required, it must comply with the requirements of the U.S. National Electrical Code or it will be considered a violation of UL1703. Please consult with local authorities for the requirements on installation methods and fire safety of buildings.
- Assess the fire rating of the system according to the condition of the roof and mounting brackets, subject to local electrical safety regulations. A suitable layer of fireproof material for this class shall be covered and the ventilation should be maintained.

- The difference of the roof structure and installation method will affect the fire safety performance, and unappropriated installation will take the risk to cause the fire. In order to ensure the fire rating of the roof, the minimum distance between the module frame and the roof surface is 100mm, the requirements to meet UL1703 region or country to use, modules on the surface of the frame and roof minimum distance is 115 mm , and appropriate modules such as fuses, circuit breakers and ground connectors should be used according to local electrical safety regulations.
- Observe the safety precautions of the solar module installation manual. If the solar modules are installed on the roof, ensure that the roof structure is reasonable. In addition, the installation of any roof modules must be sealed to prevent leakage and to ensure the fire rating levels. The accumulation of dust on the modules surface will impair the performance of the modules. During the installation, the module tilt angle should be maintained at more than 10° to allow the rain to wash away the dust, while the module with too small tilt angle requires more frequent cleaning.
- Please do NOT operate any devices at the place where is closed to the flammable gas.
- The connector should be mated with its original female or male connector of the same Supplier.
- For a bifacial cell module, the backside irradiance of the mounting area should be less than 300W/m²

5. Unloading, Transportation and Storage

5.1 Markers on outer packaging

Discarded at will of the solar module is forbidden and require special recycling



Modules shall be kept dry, NOT exposing to the rain or moisture.



Modules in carton are fragile, which shall be handled with care



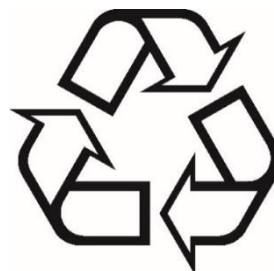
The number of stacking layers depends on the product packaging labels



The packaging shall be transported upright.

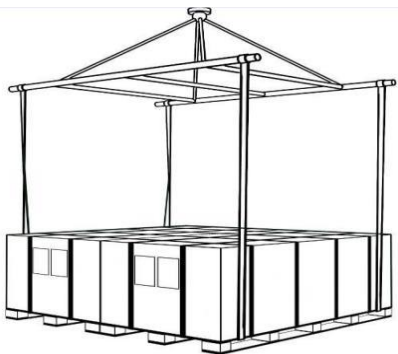


The packaging material can be recycled.



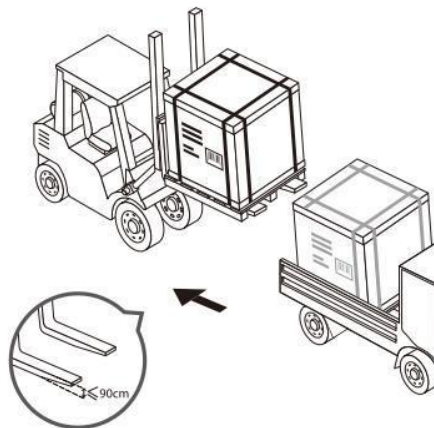
5.2 Unloading cautions

Use a suitable lifting fixture to handle, no more than 2 pallets of modules. Before lifting, check whether the tray and the carton are damaged and whether the hoisting ropes are strong and firm. Two people shall support at the two sides of the righting carton gently to place it on the relatively flat position of the project site

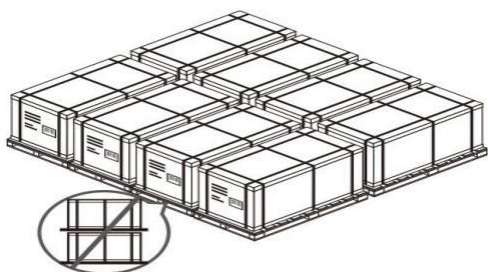


Use a forklift to remove the unit from the truck.

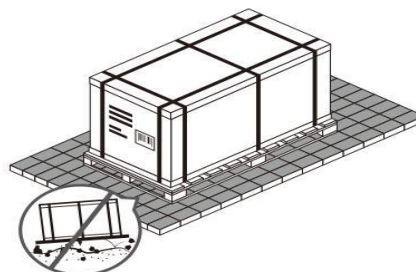
During loading or unloading, the forklift must not hit the packing box.



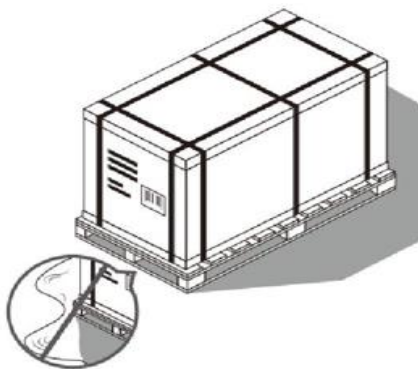
Place the modules on a level surface.



The stacking of modules at the project site is prohibit



Place the unit in a dry and ventilated place.

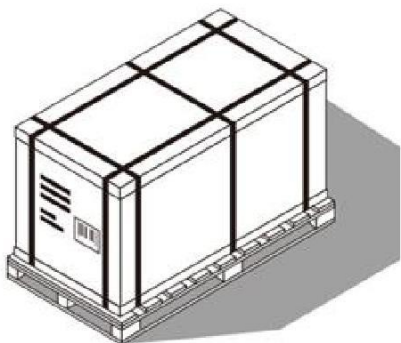


Cover the modules with a tarpaulin to prevent the package from getting wet.

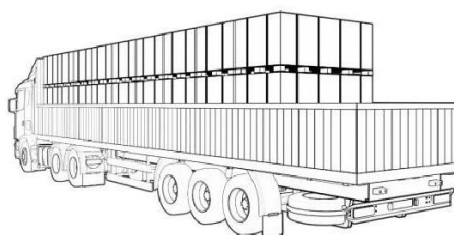


5.3 Secondary transportation and Warning

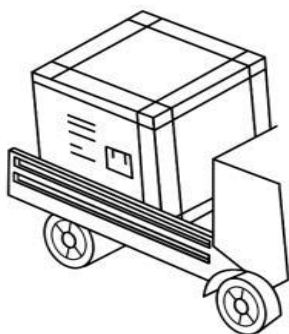
Do NOT remove the original packages if the modules require long-distance transport or long-term storage.



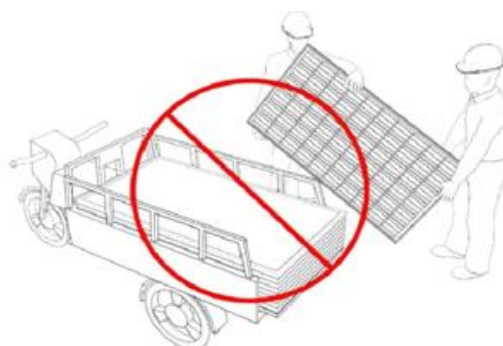
Packaged products can be shipped by land, sea or air. During transportation, please fix the packing box on the transport platform to ensure that the packing will not roll over. No more than 2 layers by normally.



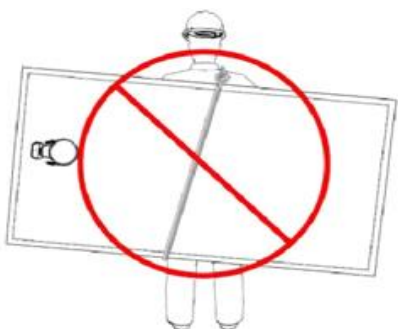
Please do not open the original packing when transferring the project to the destination. Please fix the packing box on the transportation platform to ensure that the packing box is firmly fixed.



No Transportation of handling by pedicab as the following.



No handling the module with rope as the following.



No carrying the module on the back of person



5.4 Storage

- Do NOT expose the modules to rain or moisture. Store the finished product in a ventilated, waterproof and dry place.
- Do NOT remove the original packaging if the module requires long-distance transport or long-term storage.
- Modules Stacking no more than 1 layers (moisture <85%RH, temperature in the range from -40°C to + 40 °C), see Fig. 5-1.

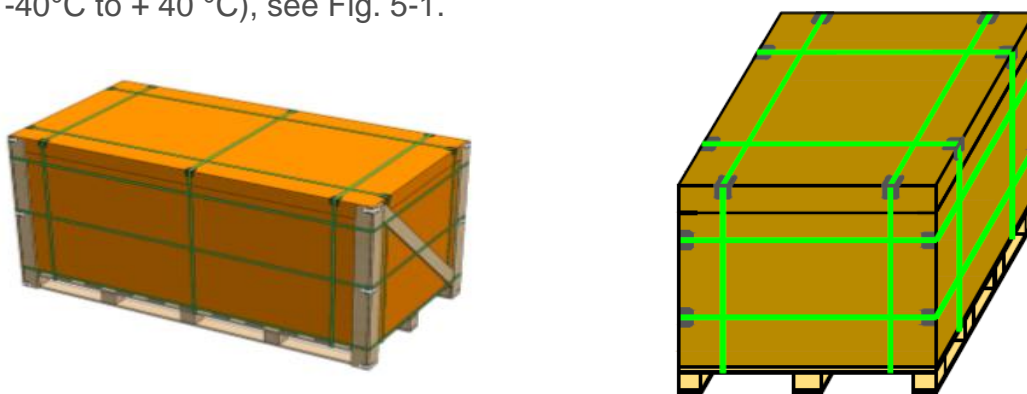


Fig. 5-1 temporary storage at site warehouse

5.5 Markings on the solar module

Three markings are attached on the module with following information:

- Nameplate: module type, nominal power, rated current, rated voltage, Voc, Isc, certification logo and maximum system voltage, etc.
- Current marking: the classification according to the module's current.

To provide clear information of modules for customers to perform efficient installation, modules will be sorted according to different current classifications

6. Matters needing attention for unpacking

- As for outdoor unpacking, it's prohibited to operate in rainy conditions. Because the carton will become soft and damaged after it gets wet in the rain. The solar PV modules (hereinafter referred to as "modules") inside the carton will incline, which may cause damage or injury to personnel.

- If there's wind at site, it is necessary to pay special attention to safety, especially in strong wind conditions, and it is NOT recommended to transport the modules at this situation. The unpacked modules shall be fixed properly.
- The ground should be flat where you unpack the packaging, this will ensure that the carton can be placed stably and to avoid incline.
- Wear protective gloves during unpacking to avoid hand injury and finger prints on the glass surface.
- Module information and unpacking instructions can be found on the outer package. Please read the instructions before unpacking.
- Each module shall be handled by two personnel. It is forbidden to pull the wires or junction boxes of the modules to carry the module.

In addition to the above points for attention, consider professional on-site unpacking, exception handling rules, please refer to REGITEC Packaging Manual.

7. Installation

7.1 Environment conditions and site selection

The REGITEC solar module should be installed in the following environmental conditions.

Table 7-1 operation condition

NO	Environmental conditions	Range
1	Recommended environment temperature	-40°C to +40°C.
2	operating temperature	-40°C to +70°C
3	Humidity	<85 RH%

Remarks: The working environment temperature is the monthly average maximum temperature and minimum temperature of the installation site. The mechanical load bearing capacity of the solar PV module is determined based on the installation method. The professional solar PV system installer must be responsible for calculating the solar PV system machinery when designing the solar PV system load bearing capacity.

- If the module will be installed in a place of which the humidity is more than 85RH%, please get contact with REGITEC After-service team (service@regitecsolar.com) for the properly installation method, or check whether the module can be installed or not.
- For most places, REGITEC solar PV modules should be installed where the sunlight can be maximally acquired throughout the year. In the Northern hemisphere, the light-receiving surface of the module is usually selected to face the South; in the Southern hemisphere, the light-receiving surface of the module is usually selected to face the North.
- When selecting the installation location, avoid areas with trees, buildings or obstacles because these objects will form shadows on solar PV modules, especially when the sun is at the lowest position on the horizon in winter. The shadow will cause the loss of the output power of the solar photovoltaic system. Although the bypass diode installed in the solar photovoltaic module can reduce this loss to some extent, do not ignore the shadow factor.
- Do not install solar PV modules near fire or flammable materials. In addition to floating projects or projects using coastal modules, do not install solar PV modules where there is water soaking, sprinkler or water spray.
- If the product needs to be used in the offshore environment *, please communicate with REGITEC technical team in advance to evaluate and use the coastal modules * of REGITEC.

Remarks: Offshore environment * refers to the environment within 1km of the straight-line distance Includes on the sea surface from the coastline; Coastal modules * can satisfy most coastal natural environments, but do not have absoluteness. Offshore installation may have additional impact on the performance and lifetime of modules. If you need to install in the offshore environment, please evaluate and confirm with REGITEC technical team before purchase. If the modules are used in offshore environment projects without evaluation, REGITEC shall not be responsible for the failure of the modules due to environmental factors

7.2 Tilt angle of Installation

- The installation of solar PV module string should be in the same orientation and the same installation angle. Different installation directions and - angles will lead to mismatches in current and voltage which is caused by different light absorption of different solar modules, this mismatch will cause the PV system power output loss.
- The largest power will be generated when there's direct sunlight on solar PV module. For modules which are installed on fixed brackets, the best installation angle should be selected to ensure the maximum power output can be generated at winter time, if the angle can guarantee enough power output during the winter, it will make the whole solar PV system in the rest of the year can have enough power output also.
- Installation inclination refers to the angle between the solar photovoltaic module and the ground plane, as shown in Figure 7-1.

Fig. 7-1 Tilt angle

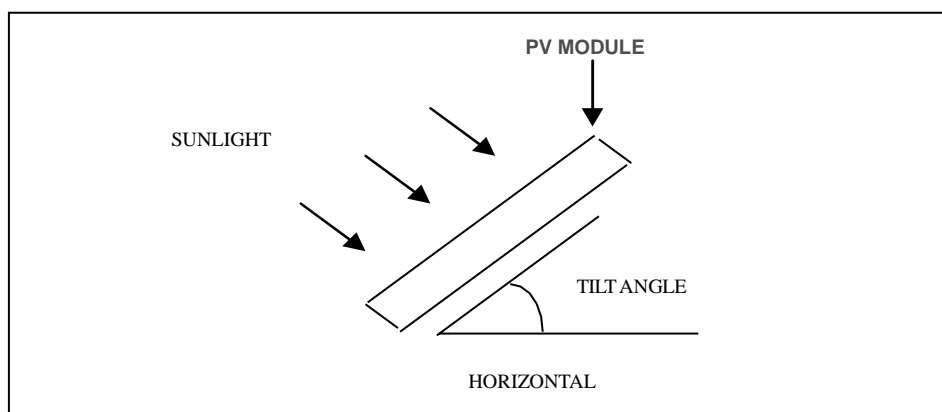


Table 7-2 Recommended tilt angle for fixed systems

latitude	Fixed angle of inclination
0°~15°	15°
15°~25°	The same latitude
25°~30°	Same latitude +5°
30°~35°	Same latitude +10°
35°~40°	Same latitude +15°
40°+	Same latitude +20°

7.3 Installation requirements for bifacial module

- Under the certain installation conditions, the backside of bifacial dual glass module will also generate electricity power after receiving the reflected light, which will bring additional power generation gain to the power station system.
- The shading on the module surface will affect the power generation much, the module should be installed in the place where the module cannot be shadowed totally (such as the shadow from building, chimney and tree etc.), and even the partially shading (such as the dirt, snow and aerial wire etc.) should be avoided.
- The generation gain is related to the ground reflectivity, the module installation height to the ground, the array spacing and the shadow shading to the module backside.
- Generally speaking, the reflectance is various with the different ground (See table 7-3), and this will lead to different power generation gain.

Table 7-3 reflectivity of different surfaces

The ground type	Water	Grassland	Ground	Concrete	Sand	Snow
Reflectivity range (%)	5-12	12 - 25	20- 33	20 - 40	20 - 40	80- 85

- Due to the different ground clearance height will affect the power generation gain, it's recommended to install the solar module at a height from 0.5m to 2m. See Fig. 7-2.

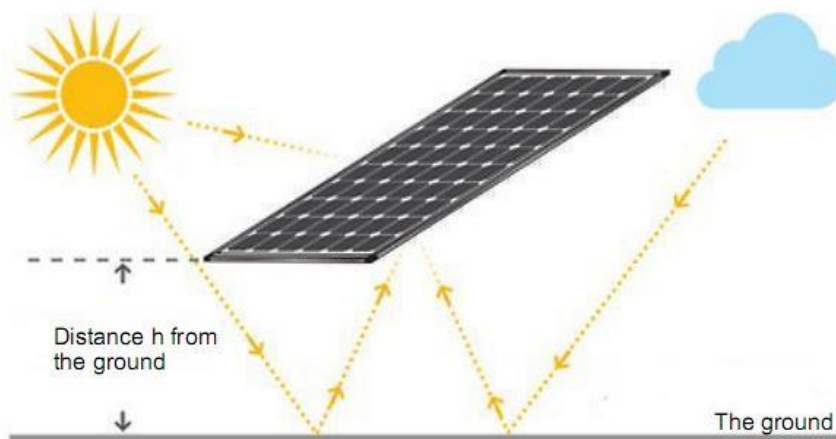


Fig. 7-2 Distance from the earth

When designing the system, in addition to the type of ground and the height above the ground, the appropriate array spacing and how to avoid the back shadow should be considered. Please refer to 《REGITEC bifacial module PV system design white paper》, or consult professional system designers.

8. Installation Guidelines

- ✓ Ensure that the support system is strong enough and the solar modules must be fixed to the support system as required.
- ✓ The limit load of the support system must be calculated according to the project site conditions, installation methods, etc. and the local specifications. The support system supplier must be responsible for the design, verification, installation and maintenance of the photovoltaic system.
- ✓ In order to reduce the adaptation loss, please ensure that the solar modules with the same color cells to be installed together.
- ✓ The module frame has the effect of thermal expansion and cold contraction, the minimum clearance between two adjacent modules must not be less than 10mm, for special requirements, please confirm with REGITEC technical team before installation.
- ✓ The module frame drain holes cannot be blocked in any situation during installation or use.
- ✓ PV modules are not suitable for long-term exposure to the environment containing sulfur, strong acid, strong alkali, acid rain, chemical pollution and other corrosion risk to the product, there is a risk of corrosion.
- ✓ Packaging angle bead and assembly safe edge play a protective role in packaging and transportation, which can be removed automatically when assembly is installed
- ✓ During installation of the solar modules, shall not drag modules or rub surfaces.
- ✓ Installation of large size modules, the appearance of a certain degree of subsidence or deformation due to gravity is a normal phenomenon, after testing the appearance in line with the relevant standards.

- ✓ All the load values below are the test load of laboratory static mechanical load experiment, and the actual design load of the project site needs to consider 1.5 times of safety factor. (test load=design load*1.5)

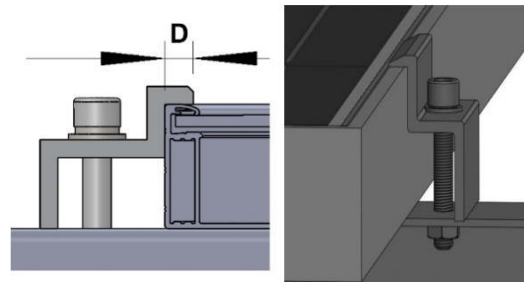
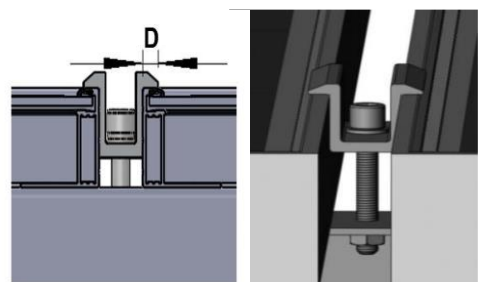
The PV support system is generally divided into fixed installation system and tracker system. REGITEC solar PV module can be installed on two systems. The PV module and support system can be connected by bolts and clamp. REGITEC recommends some installation methods and accessories, as follows, please give priority. Other installation methods need to be confirmed with REGITEC.

8.1. Install method

Fixture installation:

- The REGITEC solar module can also be installed with clamps. The solar module shall be fixed on the mounting bracket with M8 bolts and clamps. It's strictly forbidden that the clamp makes contact to the front glass. The frame of the PV module shall not be deformed during installation, and the front of the module shall not be covered. Each PV module needs to be fixed with four clamps, and the applied torque is 16Nm ~ 20Nm, for the 1.6mm double glass version 8Nm~10Nm.
- The size, quantity and installation method of the clamp can be determined according to the actual load of the project site, but it needs to meet the basic requirements in table 8-4 and be confirmed by the professional technical team of REGITEC.







Table 8-2 clamp

Type	clamp	
	Side clamp	Middle clamp
Apply to the frame assembly clamp		
Attention	Ensure that the clamp is in contact with the A side of the module frame by $7\text{mm} \leq D \leq 10\text{mm}$;	
Specifications	clamp size: length $\geq 50\text{mm}$, thickness $\geq 3\text{mm}$, height of side clamp is consistent with the height of module frame;	
parts	M8 bolt, Nut, Flat washer, Spring washer, clamp (To maximize support life, use of anti-corrosion firmware is recommended)	

8.1.3 Marine module connector protection device

- To install the modules on the offshore land and offshore sea less than 1km from the sea, the coastal modules with salt spray resistance of class 8 shall be installed, the annual rainfall hours/annual total hours are more than 25%, and the connectors on the offshore sea are recommended to install waterproof cold shrinkable tubes to prevent the connector from water inlet and corrosion; Silicone rubber is recommended for the material of cold shrinkable tube, Cold shrinkable tube from production to use before only half a year of validity, more than half a year without installation will not provide warranty.

Table 8-3 Photovoltaic module connector accessories

Procedure	Method	Explanatory Chart
①	After unplugging the photovoltaic connector, take either end and cover the cold shrinkable tube to the connector in the direction shown on the right	
②	Slide the cold shrinkable tube over the head of the connecting head and expose the head	
③	Connect the positive and negative connectors in the correct way	
④	Move the connection to the middle of the cold shrinkable tube	
⑤	Pull the inner ring exposed in the cold shrinkable tube by hand, rotate and pull it out again and again until the inner ring is completely pulled out	
⑥	The cold shrinkable tube has completely cold shrinkable seal connectors	

Connector for junction box

Junction box

Model: PV-TT02,1500V DC,43A,
IP68(1m,1h),-40 to 85°C, Taizhou chuangda
electronic Co., Ltd

Type OSTA-03, Taizhou chuangda electronic Co.,
Ltd

Remark: The connector should be mated with its original female or male connector of the same Supplier

● Notes for installation of cold shrinkable pipe:

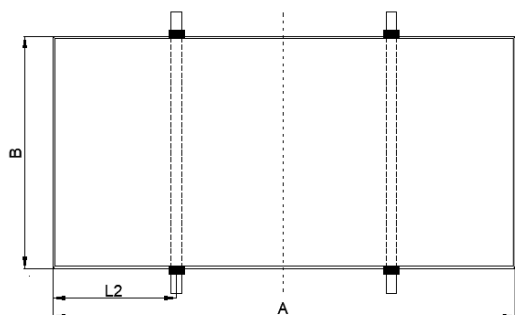
- ① Before installation, make sure that there is no sand, water, sharp objects and other sundries inside the cold shrinkable tube.
- ② It's forbidden to tie the label on the shrink tube to prevent the tie from scratching the

shrink.

- ③ Pay attention to environmental protection on site (handling of support strips/instructions/packaging bags).
- ④ There are no cracks or gaps at both ends of the cold shrinkable tube and no cracks on the surface.
- ⑤ The cold shrinkable tube should be affixed to the connector and cable in a natural way, and no wrinkle or bulge is allowed.

8.2. Installation method of fixed support

Table 8-4 Installation mode



Clamp installation with cross beam

(A3) ($1/5A \leq L2 \leq 1/4A$)

Clamp size $\geq 50\text{mm}$

The designed load for the solar modules is 3600 Pa for the front side and 1600 Pa for the back side. The modules were tested under 5400 Pa for the front side and 2400 Pa for the back side as per static mechanical load test with a safety factor 1.5.

9. Cable layout

- Cable Length: Half-piece assembly cable are divided into short cables and long cables
- The recommended vertical installation connection methods for module with short cables. See Fig. 9-1. The horizontal installation connection methods see Fig. 9-2.
- When you install modules with long cables, connect it with its own cable length and do not use extended cables, see Fig. 9-3 and 9-4, When connect adjacent modules in different rows or columns, connect cables on the same side and avoid connecting cables along the diagonal line.

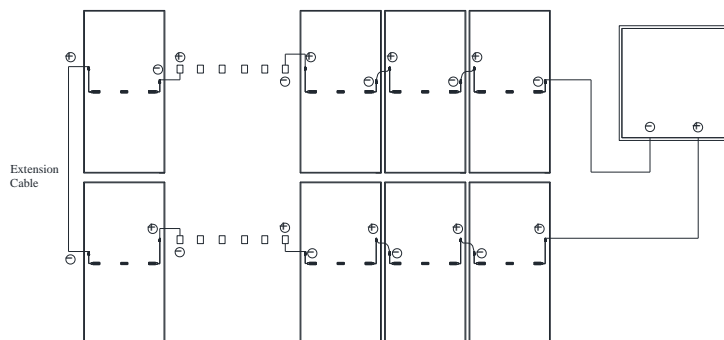


Fig. 9-1 Vertical installation of short cable modules

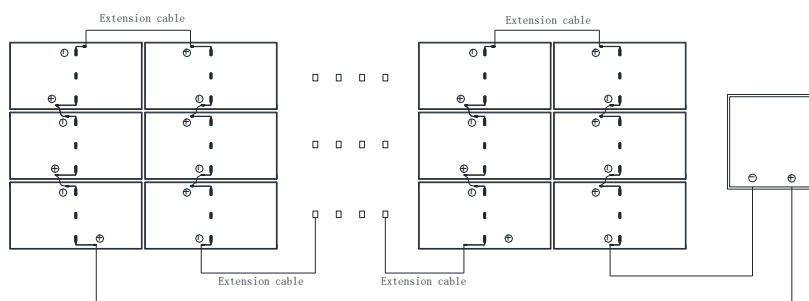


Fig. 9-2 Horizontal installation of short cable modules

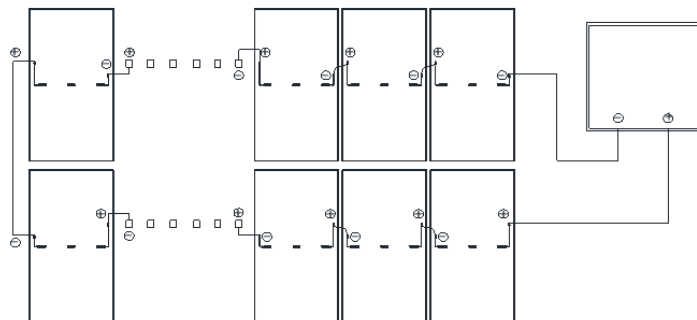


Fig. 9-3 Vertical installation of long cable modules

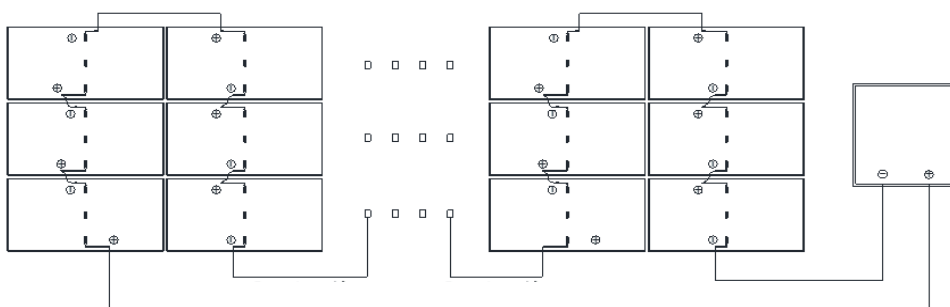


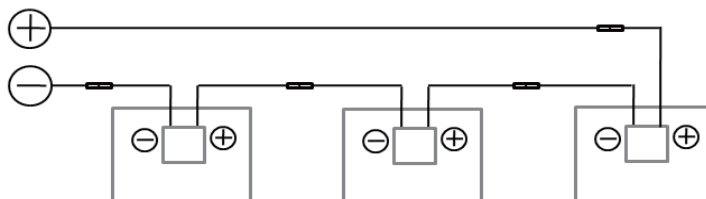
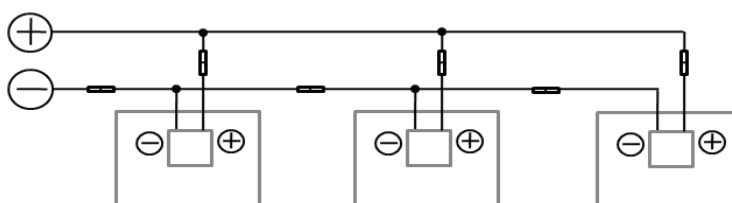
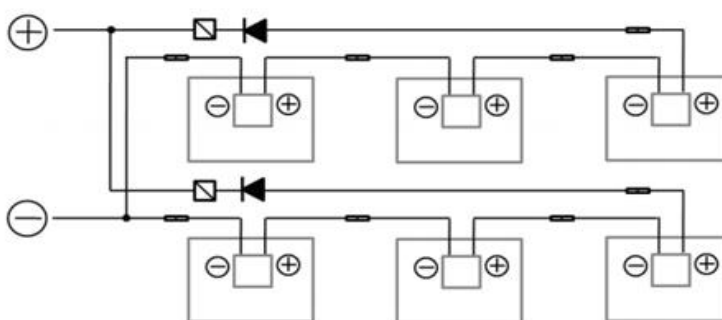
Fig. 9-4 Horizontal installation of long cable modules

Precautions:

1. Pay attention to the direction of the wire when installing the modules. It should be connected along the wire direction to avoid bending the wire.
2. In order to avoid bad or damaged connection of the cable and connector, the cable and junction box caused by human factors, affecting the electrical safety or service life of the product, it is recommended that the force applied between the cable and connector, cable and junction box shall not be greater than 60N during the installation, dismantling, maintenance and any other related process of the Product

10. Electrical Connection

- The Direct Current (DC) generated by the PV system can be converted to Alternating Current (AC) and connected to the public power grid. Different regions may have different policies, laws and regulations to stipulate the installation and grid-connection requirements of PV systems. Therefore, during the design, installation and grid-connection of PV system, please comply with the local policies, laws and regulations.
- PV modules can obtain different current and voltage outputs through series connection and parallel connection. Read this installation manual carefully before electrical connection and installation. Please design and connect according to the current and voltage required by customers. Before connection, please ensure that the connection part is free from corrosion, and keep it clean and dry.
- In order to ensure the normal running of the system, when connecting modules or loads, please ensure that the polarity of the cable connection is correct. If the modules are incorrectly connected, the bypass diodes and junction boxes may be damaged. PV modules can be connected in series (Fig. 10-1), in parallel (Fig.10-2) and in series-parallel (Fig. 10-3). The number of serial or parallel connections shall be reasonably designed according to the system configuration. Also note that if the number of parallel connections ≥ 2 , there must be an over-current protection device on each string assembly and bypass are used for over current protection, and the maximum over current protection is 35A.

**Fig. 10-1 Series Connection****Fig.10-2 Parallel Connection****Fig.10-3 Parallel-series Connection**

- Different types of modules cannot be connected in series. Modules connected in series should ensure the consistency of their current. The voltage of the module string should not exceed the allowable system voltage value, which can be found on the nameplate or datasheet of the module.
- The maximum number of modules in series depends on the system design, the type of converter used and the environmental conditions. In general, the maximum number (N) of Solar modules in series can be calculated by dividing the maximum system voltage by the open circuit voltage of the relevant solar PV modules. When designing the solar PV system, it's necessary to take into account the characteristic that the voltage of the solar PV module changes with the temperature. Considering the voltage increase caused by temperature drop in extreme environment in winter, the maximum series connection

number of solar PV modules can be calculated by the following formula.

Table 10-1 maximum series connection number calculation

Formula	Maximum system voltage $V \geq N \times V_{oc} \times [1 + \beta \times (T_{min} - 25)]$
V	Maximum system voltage
N	The number of maximum solar PV modules in series
V_{oc}	The open circuit voltage of each module (see product label or data sheet)
β	Temperature coefficient of open circuit voltage of the module (refer to data sheet)
T_{min}	The lowest ambient temperature at installation site

Table 10-2 maximum parallel connection number calculation

Formula	$N \leq \text{fuse rating} / I_{sc} + 1$
N	The number of maximum parallel connection
I_{sc}	The short circuit current of each module (see product label or data sheet)

Remarks: if the number of parallel connections is greater than or equal to 2, there must be an over-current protection device on each string of modules.

- The product can be irreparably damaged if an array string is connected in reverse polarity to another. Always verify the voltage and polarity of each individual string before making a parallel connection. If you measure a reversed polarity or a difference of more than 10V between strings then check the string configuration before making the connection.
- Before wiring the module, ensure that the contact points are corrosion resistant, clean and dry; If a string of modules is reversed, irreparable damage can be caused
- For relatively large installations, REGITEC recommends that you use lightning protection in accordance with local requirements and regulations.
- Each REGITEC solar PV module has two PV cables which can withstand 90°C temperature and they are sunlight resistant (UV). The cross-sectional area of the cable is 4mm² or 12AWG, and the external diameter is 4mm-7mm. Plug & Play connectors are included at the end of each cable. All other cables used to connect the direct current system shall have similar (or higher) specifications, and should have the suitable insulation ability which can suffer the possible maximum system Voc (as defined in TUV 2PfG1169 or EN50618 (H1Z2Z2-K)). REGITEC requires all cables and electrical connections to comply with the electrical regulations of the countries where the PV system is installed.

- When selecting a cable, the minimum current-carrying capacity of the cable can be calculated by the following formula.

Minimum current-carrying capacity of the cable = $1.25 \times I_{sc} \times N_p$

I_{sc} : short-circuit current of PV module (unit: A)

N_p : the number of modules in parallel or module strings

- To clear or trim excess cables REGITEC recommends that all cables be placed in proper pipework and away from standing water.
- REGITEC recommends using lightning protection devices which are complied with local laws and electrical regulations

10.1 Bypass secondary

- If solar photovoltaic module part by shadow block, which can lead to reverse voltage related to solar cells, solar photovoltaic modules in other unaffected battery string or other solar PV modules in the system and current will force through keep out part of the power loss and heat affected cell. When the solar photovoltaic module is connected in parallel with the bypass diode, the current in the system will flow directly through the diode, so as to bypass the blocked part of the solar photovoltaic module and minimize the heating degree and power consumption of the solar photovoltaic module.
- Each module has three diodes. Diode models as below:
Schottky, Type: MK5045, used in junction box type: Type OSTA-03,
Please do not try to open the junction box to replace the diode. when the diode has a problem, please let do this work by professionals.

11. Grounding

- All solar PV module frames and mounting brackets must be properly grounded in accordance with the appropriate National Electrical Code or local electrical codes
- Correct grounding is achieved by continuously connecting the PV module frame and all metal modules together using the appropriate grounding conductor. The grounding wire may be copper, copper alloy or other materials that can be used as conductors and meet the requirements of the national electrical code. It is recommended to use the copper wire (4-14 mm² or AWG 6- 12) as the grounding wire. The signal "⊥" can be found at the grounding hole position. The ground wire must also be connected to ground through a suitable ground electrode. The tight connection of all the joint point should be ensured.
- Installers may only use single-conductor cable listed and labeled as USE-2 or PV wire which is 90°C wet rated in North America, and single conductor cable, 4-16mm²(5-12 AWG), 90°C wet rated in other areas(i.e. TUV 2PfG1169 or EN50618 approved), with proper insulation which is able to withstand the maximum possible system open-circuit voltage. Only copper conductor material should be used. Select a suitable conductor gauge to minimize voltage drop and ensure that the conductor ampacity with local regulations (i.e. NEC 690.8(D)).
- On a grounding hole with a diameter of $\phi 4$ mm, use a separate grounding wire and related accessories to connect the frame and connect the grounding wire to the ground. M4 x 12mm ground bolts with M4 nuts, star washers and plain washers are recommended for the aluminum frame, M4 tapping locking screws or ST4.2 tapping screws are recommended for high-strength alloy steel frames, see fig.11.2, this ensures that the modules are firmly grounded. You can find the corresponding product drawing in module datasheet to know the detailed number, size and position of the grounding holes. The torque applied to ground fixation is 4Nm~8Nm.

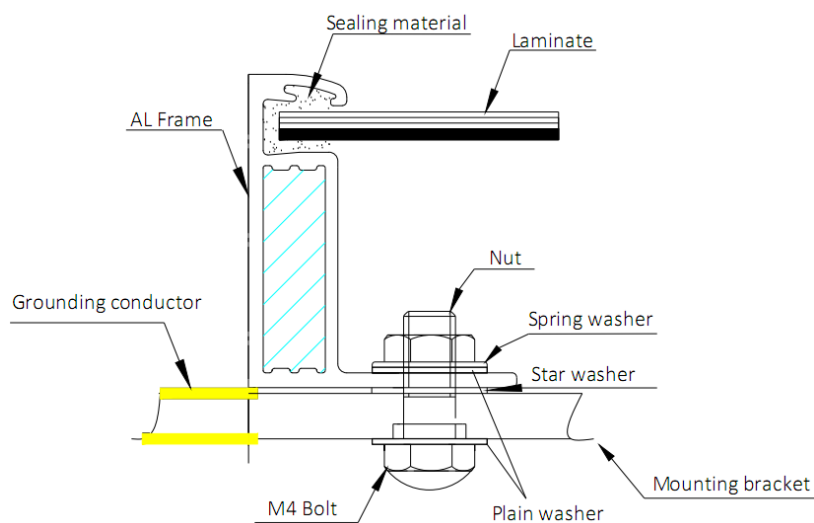


Fig. 11.1 M4 Bolt grounding

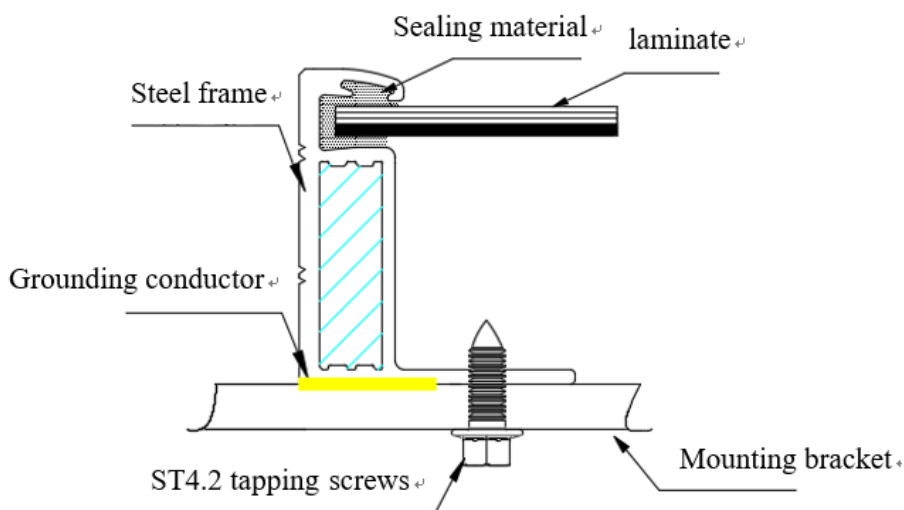


Fig.11.2 ST4.2 tapping screws grounding

In addition to use the grounding hole, you can also choose the following grounding ways:

- ✓ Grounding by unused mounting holes
- ✓ Other professional grounding devices

No matter which grounding method is adopted, all conductive connections to the frame of the PV module frame should penetrate the insulation layer to ensure the reliability of grounding. REGITEC solar modules can be grounded by other grounding devices, which must be reliable and certified. The manufacturer's requirements should be followed.

12. Inspection and Maintenance

In order to ensure the long-term using of the installed PV system and maximize the Power output performance of the modules, the installed PV modules need to be inspected and maintained regularly. The inspection and maintenance of modules in the PV array shall be carried out by personnel who have received professional PV system maintenance training and obtained relevant qualifications and authorization.

12.1. PV Module Recycling

- PV modules that cannot be used due to a malfunction should be deactivated. You can dispose of these dead modules in the following ways:
 - ✓ Please consult and follow the local laws and regulations, must have a qualified institution to recover processing, the product disposal;
 - ✓ If your area is covered by a PV Cycle specialist, you can contact them directly for processing.

12.2. Module visual inspection and replacement

- The PV modules installed in the PV array should be inspected periodically for damage. If functional and safety faults are found due to the following factors, the modules of the same type should be replaced immediately.
 - ✓ PV modules have broken glass, scratched back sheet.
 - ✓ Bubbles or delamination form a continuous path between electric circuit and the edge of the module.
 - ✓ Junction box is deformed, cracked or burned, and the terminals cannot be connected well.
- Replace failed PV modules with same type. Do not touch live wires and connectors directly. When you need to touch them, use suitable safety devices (insulation tools/gloves, etc.).

- The warning signs on the PV modules must not be lost.
- Check the electrical, grounding and mechanical connections every 6 months to ensure they are clean and safe, free from damage or rust. Check that the mounting parts are tight. Check all cables and make sure that the connectors are securely. PV modules frames and bracket should be well mechanically connected.
- Check whether there is any foreign body on the surface of the PV modules and whether there is any shielding.
- When repairing PV modules, cover the surface of PV modules with opaque material to prevent electric shock. Exposure of PV modules to sunlight will generate high voltages, this is dangerous. Please pay attention to safety when maintenance and it must be done by professionals.
- When the irradiance is no less than $200\text{W}/\text{m}^2$, if the terminal voltage is more than 5% different than the rated value, it illustrates the connection of the modules is not good.
- Comply with maintenance instructions for all modules used in the PV system, such as brackets, charging rectifiers, inverters, batteries, lightning protection systems, etc.
- Warning: Any electrical maintenance must shut down the PV system firstly. Improper system maintenance may cause fatal dangers such as electric shock and burning.

12.3. Cleaning

- Dust accumulation on the glass surface of the module will reduce its power output and may cause hot spots, so the surface of photovoltaic modules should be kept clean. Maintenance work should be performed at least once a year or frequently.
- Warning: It should be carried out by trained personnel. Workers should wear PPE, such as goggles, electric insulation gloves and safety shoes. The gloves should withstand DC voltages of no less than 2000V.

- Use dry or wet soft cloths, sponges, etc. to clean the modules during the cleaning process, but do not put any modules directly into the water, do not use corrosive solvents and do not wipe the PV modules with hard objects. When the pressure water is used, the water pressure on the glass surface of the module must not exceed 700 KPa. The module must not be subjected to additional external force. If necessary, use isopropyl alcohol (IPA) according to the safety instructions to clean and ensure that no IPA flows into the gap between the edge of the module and the module frame.
- To reduce potential electric shocks or burns, suggest cleaning the PV modules in the early morning or evening when the sunlight is weak and the temperature is low, especially for areas with higher temperatures.
- It is forbidden to clean photovoltaic modules under weather conditions with heavy rain, heavy snow or winds greater than class 4.
- The back surface of the module normally does not need to be cleaned, but in the event this is deemed necessary, avoid the use of any sharp objects that might damage or penetrating the substrate material.
- Water requirements when cleaning:
 - ✓ PH: 5~7;
 - ✓ Chloride or salt content: 0 - 3,000 mg/L
 - ✓ Turbidity: 0-30 NTU
 - ✓ Conductivity: 1500~3000 μ S/cm
 - ✓ Total dissolved solids: \leq 1000 mg/L
 - ✓ Water hardness: 0-40 mg/L
 - ✓ Non-alkaline water must be used, and softened water can be used when conditions permitted.

- **Module inspection after cleaning**

- ✓ Visual inspection to check if the module is clean, bright and free of stains;
- ✓ Spot check to verify whether there is soot deposit on the module surface;
- ✓ Check to whether there are visible scratches on the surface of the module or not;
- ✓ Check whether there's no man-made cracks on the module surface or not;
- ✓ Check whether the module support structure is leaning or bent or not;
- ✓ Check whether the connectors of the module are detached or not, after cleaning, fill out the PV module cleaning record.

13. Troubleshooting

- If the PV system does not work properly, please inform your installer immediately. It's recommended to perform a preventive inspection every six months, please don't change any modules of the modules. If electrical or mechanical properties are required for inspection or maintenance, qualified professionals should be advised to avoid any electric shock or loss of life.

14. DISCLAIMER

- REGITEC is not responsible for any form of damage, including but not limited to module operation and system installation error, and personnel injury, hurt, and property loss resulted from failure to follow the instructions in this manual.
- Failure of the customer to follow the requirements outlined in this manual during the installation of the module will result in the invalidity of product's limited warranty.
- REGITEC is not responsible for any infringement of third-party patents or any other rights arising from the use of solar PV modules.
- REGITEC reserves the rights to change this Manual without prior notice.
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Annex 2 : Product Electrical Data

Product electrical data including module electrical performance parameters at STC, module electrical performance parameters at NOCT, temperature coefficient, etc. Please refer to the user product manual for detailed parameters.

Manufacturer's stated tolerance: $P_{max} = \pm 3\%$, $V_{oc} = \pm 3\%$, $I_{sc} = \pm 3\%$