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⚠️ **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

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IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

This manual contains important safety and operational instructions that must be accurately understood and followed during the installation and maintenance of the equipment.

To reduce the risk of electrical shock hazards, and to make sure the equipment is safely installed and commissioned, special safety symbols are used in this manual to highlight potential safety risks and important safety information. The symbols are:

![Warning Symbol] **WARNING**: the paragraphs highlighted by this symbol contain processes and instructions that must be absolutely understood and followed to avoid potential danger to people.

![Note Symbol] **NOTE**: the paragraphs highlighted by this symbol contain processes and instructions that must be rigorously understood and followed to avoid potential damage to the equipment and negative results.

The equipment is provided with several labels, some of them with a yellow background, which are related to safety issues.

Make sure to read the labels and fully understand them before installing the equipment.

The labels utilize the following symbols:

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USEFUL INFORMATION AND SAFETY STANDARD

FOREWORD

- The installation of Aurora must be performed in full compliance with national and local standards and regulations.
- AURORA has no spare parts to replace. For any maintenance or repair please contact the nearest authorized repair center. Please contact your reseller if you need to know the nearest authorized repair center.
- Read and understand all the instructions contained in this manual and become familiar with the safety symbols in the relevant paragraphs before you install and commission the equipment.
- The connection to the distribution grid must be done only after receiving approval from the distribution utility as required by national and state interconnection regulations, and can be done only by qualified personnel.
- Cover the photovoltaic panels with dark opaque sheets before they are connected to avoid any chance of high voltages to appear at the connecting cable terminations.

GENERAL

During inverter operation, some parts can be powered, some not properly insulated and, in some cases, some parts can move or rotate, or some surfaces be hot. Unauthorized removal of the necessary protections, improper use, wrong installation or wrong operation may lead to serious damage to people and objects.

Transport, handling, installation, commissioning and maintenance must be performed by qualified and trained personnel (all accident prevention rules in force in the user's country must be observed!!)

According to these basic safety rules, qualified and trained people have skills for the assembling, start-up and operation of the product, as well as the necessary requirements and qualifications to perform such operations.
ASSEMBLY
Devices shall be assembled and cooled according to the specifications mentioned in the corresponding documents.
In particular, during transport and handling, parts shall not be bent and/or the insulation distances shall not be changed. There should be no contact between electronic parts and connection terminals.
Electrical parts must not be mechanically damaged or destroyed (potential health risk).

ELECTRICAL CONNECTION
With the inverter powered, comply with all prevailing national regulations on accidents prevention.
Electrical connections shall be carried out in accordance with the applicable regulations, such as conductor sections, fuses, PE connection.

OPERATION
Systems with inverters shall be provided with further control and protective devices in compliance with the corresponding prevailing safety rules, such as those relating to the compliance with technical equipment, accident-preventing regulations, etc. Any calibration change shall be made using the operational software. Once the inverter has been disconnected from the power grid, powered parts and electrical connections shall not be touched as some capacitors could be charged. Comply with all corresponding marks and symbols present on each device. During operation, make sure that all covers and doors are closed.

MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE
Comply with manufacturer’s recommendations.

SAVE ALL DOCUMENTS IN A SAFE PLACE!
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This document applies to the above-mentioned inverters, only.

![Image of a name plate]

Fig.1 - Name plate

The name plate affixed to the inverter provides the following information:

1) Manufacturing Part Number
2) Model Number
3) Serial Number
4) Week/Year of Manufacture
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1  FOREWORD

This document contains a technical description of AURORA photovoltaic inverter so as to provide the installer and user all the necessary information about installation, operation and use of AURORA.

1.1  PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY

Industrialized countries (greater energy consumers) have been experimenting energy-saving methods and reduced pollutant levels for many years thanks to the energy-conversion process. This may be possible through a shrewd and rational consumption of well-known resources, and also by looking for new forms of clean and not exhaustible energy.

Regenerating sources of energy are fundamental to solve this problem. Under these circumstances, solar energy exploitation to generate electrical (photovoltaic) energy is becoming more and more important worldwide.

Photovoltaic energy, in any case, is of great advantage to the environment because the radiated energy we receive from the sun is transformed directly into electrical energy without any combustion process and without producing any pollution.
2 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The AURORA inverter is capable of feeding a power grid using the power generated by photovoltaic panels. Photovoltaic panels transform the sun-radiated energy into electrical energy in the form of direct (DC) current (through a photovoltaic field, also known as PV generator). In order to utilize this energy and feed it back to the distribution grid, this energy shall be turned into alternating (AC) current. Aurora does this conversion, also known as DC to AC inversion, in a very efficient way, without using rotating parts but just static power electronic devices.

When used in parallel with the grid, the alternate current generated by the inverter is directly fed to the domestic distribution circuit, which is in its turn also connected to the public power distribution grid.

The solar energy system can thus feed all the connected users, such as lighting devices, household appliances, etc.

When the photovoltaic system is not generating sufficient energy, the power required to ensure proper operation of connected users is taken from the public power grid. While if the produced energy is too much, it is directly fed to the grid, thus becoming available to other users.

According to national and local standards and regulations the produced energy can be sold to the grid or credited to the user against future consumption, thus granting a great saving of money.

2.1 Key elements of a photovoltaic system: “STRINGS” and “ARRAYS”

The so-called STRINGS technology has been developed in order to reduce the installation costs of a photovoltaic system as much as possible. These costs are mainly related to the wiring operations on inverter DC side and the consequent distribution on the AC side.

A photovoltaic panel is composed of many photovoltaic cells assembled on the same mount. A STRING is composed of a certain number of panels electrically connected in series. An ARRAY is composed by one or more strings connected in parallel.

Larger photovoltaic systems may be implemented by using several arrays connected to one or more AURORA inverters.
The greater the number of panels in each string, the lower the cost and the less complex the wiring connections of the system.

**WARNING**: String voltage shall not exceed 600 Vdc for any reason, so as to avoid damage to the equipment.

**NOTE**: A minimum input voltage of 200 Vdc is required for Aurora to start the grid connection sequence. Once connected, Aurora will transfer the maximum power available for any input DC voltage value in a 90V to 580Vdc range to the grid.
The total current of an array must also be within the capability limits of the inverter. For AURORA, the limit is set at 18 Adc maximum for each input. The AURORA model rated 6000W/5000W is capable of handling 2 separate arrays. The maximum current limit for each input is 18Adc.

If the output of photovoltaic system exceeds the capacity of a single inverter, additional AURORA inverters can be added to the system; each inverter will be connected to an adequate section of the photovoltaic filed on the DC side and to the grid on the AC side.

Each Aurora inverter will work independent of the others and will push to the grid the maximum power available from its own section of the photovoltaic panels. There are several factors and considerations to be taken into account when designing a photovoltaic systems, such as the type of panels, available room, location, long-term target output, etc. The system configurator available on Power-One's web site at www.power-one.com may help in sizing a photovoltaic system.

Fig.3 - Simplified diagram of a photovoltaic system
2.2 Data Transmission and Check

When more than one inverter is used, remote monitoring can be implemented through a sophisticated communication system based on an RS-485 serial interface, with a USB port to facilitate access during installation. An optional Aurora Easy-Control system is also available for remote monitoring via the Internet, analogue modem or GSM digital modem.

2.3 AURORA Technical Description

Figure 4 shows a block diagram of AURORA. The main elements are the input DC-DC converters (termed “boosters”) and the output inverter. Both the DC-DC converters and the output inverter operate at high switching frequency to enable a compact design and relatively low weight.

This is a transformer-less version of AURORA, i.e. without galvanic insulation between input and output, which further increases conversion efficiency. On the other hand, AURORA is equipped with the necessary protective devices to ensure safe operation in compliance with applicable regulations without an insulation transformer, as discussed in more detail in the relevant section.

![Fig.4 - Aurora block diagram](image-url)
The block diagram shows an AURORA PVI-5000/6000-OUTD with two independent input DC-DC converters; each converter is dedicated to a separate array with independent Maximum Power Point Tracking (MPPT) control. This means that the two arrays can be installed in different positions and orientations. Each array is controlled by an MPPT control circuit.

Thanks to its high efficiency and generously sized heat sink, the AURORA inverter provides maximum power operation in a broad range of ambient temperatures. The inverter is controlled by two independent DSPs (Digital Signal Processors) and one central microprocessor. This way, grid connection is controlled by two independent computers in full compliance with electrical power supply and safety regulations. Aurora operative system communicates with the related parts to proceed to data processing. This process ensures optimal performance levels of the whole units, as well as a high efficiency under all solar radiation and load conditions, always in full compliance with the applicable directives, standards and regulations.
2.4 Protective Devices

2.4.1 Anti-Islanding

When the local power distribution grid fails due to a fault or when the equipment is shut down for maintenance operations, Aurora shall be physically disconnected under safety conditions, so as to protect the people working on the grid, in full compliance with the applicable prevailing national standards and regulations. To avoid any possible islanding operation, Aurora is provided with an automatic disconnection protective system called Anti-Islanding.

The AURORA PVI-5000/6000-OUTD-US model is equipped with a state-of-the-art anti-islanding protection system certified to the following standards and regulations:

- CSA-C22.2 N.107.1-01 UL Std N.1741

2.4.2 Panel Ground Fault

This version of AURORA has been designed for use with panels with a floating connection (positive and negative terminals not connected to ground). A sophisticated ground protection circuit continually monitors the ground connection; when it detects a ground fault, this circuit shuts down AURORA and turns on a red LED on the front panel to indicate a ground fault condition. The AURORA inverter is equipped with a terminal for the system grounding conductor; see section 3.6 (step 3) for more details.

**NOTE:** For more details of AURORA shutdown or possible causes of malfunction, please refer to sections 5.3 and 5.4.

2.4.3 Further Protective Devices

Aurora is equipped with additional protections to guarantee safe operation under any circumstances. The protections include:

- constant monitoring of grid voltage to ensure that voltage and frequency remain within the specified operational limits (in accordance with UL 1741 standard);
- automatic power limitation control based on internal temperature monitoring to avoid overheating (heat sink temperature $\leq 70^\circ C \ [158^\circ F]$).

**Many control devices are fitted to Aurora, making its structure redundant, but at the same time ensuring a perfect and fully safe operation.**
3 INSTALLATION

WARNING: The electrical installation of AURORA must be performed in compliance with applicable local and national standards and laws.

WARNING: The connection of Aurora to the electrical distribution grid must be performed only after receiving authorization from the utility that operates the grid.

3.1 Package Inspection

NOTE: The distributor delivered your AURORA to the carrier safely packaged and in perfect condition. Upon acceptance of the package, the carrier assumes responsibility for its safe delivery. In spite of careful handling, transport damage to package or its contents is always a possibility.

The customer is encouraged to perform the following checks:
- Inspect the shipping box for apparent damage, such as holes, cracking or any sign of possible damage to its contents.
- Describe any damage or shortage on the receiving documents and have the carrier sign his/her full name.
- Open the shipping box and inspect the contents for internal damage. While unpacking, be careful not to discard any equipment, parts or manuals. If any damage is detected, call the delivering carrier to determine the appropriate action. Save all shipping material for the event the carrier sends an inspector to verify damage!
- If the inspection reveals damage to the inverter call your supplier, or authorized distributor. They will determine if the equipment should be returned for repair. They will also provide instructions on how to get the equipment repaired;
- It is the customer's responsibility to file a claim with the carrier. Failure to file a claim with the carrier may void all warranty service rights for any damage;
- Save the original package your AURORA inverter came in, should you need to return it for repair in the future.
### 3.1.1 Inspecting package contents

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<td>One certificate of warranty</td>
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<td>CD-ROM with communication software</td>
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3.2 Selecting the installation place

Place of installation should be selected based on the following considerations:

- Height from ground level should be such to ensure that display and status LEDs are easy to read.
- Select a well ventilated place sheltered from direct sun radiation. Choose a place that allows unobstructed air flow around the unit.
- Allow sufficient room around the unit to enable easy installation and removal from the mounting surface.
- A door is provided on unit front to allow for hardware maintenance; the USB port for software connection is on right side wall of the inverter (protected by a cover). Ensure free access to the right side, otherwise you will have to remove the unit from its mounting surface.

The following figure shows the recommended minimum clearances around the inverter:

![Fig.5 - Installation place - Minimum clearances around AURORA](image-url)
RECOMMENDED ARRANGEMENT

Fig. 6 - Recommended installation of AURORA inverters

NOTE: Tilted mounting is allowed (see fig. 7), but will worsen heat dissipation and may result in self derating.

WARNING: Unit surface may become hot to the touch during operation. DO NOT touch unit surface to avoid burns.

Fig. 7 - Tilted mounting
AURORA shall be mounted vertically as shown in fig. 5, 6, 7, in fig MP01 and MP02 and always following the relative instructions.

In the box is provided a mounting kit with 4 screw and 4 wall plugs needed to mount the metal bracket to a concrete wall. The screw can be mounted in any 4 of the 6 hole presents in the bracket (pos B in fig. 8 MP-01)

If needed to insure stability of the inverter is possible to use 2 additional screw in the 2 hole in pos "A" in the same figure.

**WARNING**: the bracket need to be mounted vertically to the wall and the side with the hook (pos C in fig: MP-02- Wall Mounting) shall be mounted up side as shown in the picture

If the installation is done on a concrete wall the provided wall plug shall be used, the mounting hole in the wall shall be 10mm diameter and 75mm deep.

When the wall is made by different material the installation shall be done using adequate mounting material, Power-One recommend to use always stainless steal screw

Once the bracket is secured to the wall install the inverter as described in fig. 8 MP-02. The inverter is hang to the bracket using the hook D and F that need to be well inserted in the counterpart C and E (D connects to C and F connects to E)

The inverter need to be lifted up and then slide down making sure that the connecting point in the bracket and in the back of the inverter engage properly.

Once the inverter is hang to the wall need to be secured using a M6x10 screw and the relative washer that will pass through the opening on the lower side of the inverter (pos H in Fig.8: MP-02 – Wall mounting) and tied to the pem in position G in the bracket.
Fig. 8 - MP-01 – Wall bracket

Fig. 8 - MP-02 – Wall mounting

NOTE: Is recommended not to expose Aurora to direct Solar radiation or any other heat source, including heat generated by other Aurora inverter (see Fig 6-“recomanded installation”).

When the ambient temperature rise above 50°C the inverter may self derate the output power.

Always make sure that the airflow is not blocked in the installations.
3.3 Before performing the electrical connections

**WARNING:** prior to perform any operation on the Switch Box power input ALWAYS PERFORM THE "Switch Box CONNECTION and/or DISCONNECTION PROCEDURE" as explained on the section 3.4.1 of this manual.

**WARNING:** The electrical connections can be done only after Aurora is firmly mounted to the wall.

**WARNING:** The connection of Aurora to the electrical distribution grid must be performed by qualified operators and anyway only after receiving authorization from the utility that operates the grid.

**WARNING:** For a step-by-step description of the correct procedure, please read - and closely follow - the instructions provided in this section (and its subsections) and all safety warnings. Any operation non complying with the instructions below can lead to operator/installer hazards and to equipment damage.

**WARNING:** Always respect the nominal ratings of voltage and current defined in Section 8 (Technical Characteristics) when designing your system. Please observe these considerations in designing the photovoltaic system:

- Maximum array DC voltage input to each MPPT circuit: 600Vdc under any condition.
- Maximum array DC current input to each MPPT circuit: 18Adc under any condition.

**WARNING:** Check the National and local standard regulations to make sure your electrical installation design is in compliance with them.

On the output AC side an automatic magnetothermic switch shall be inserted between AURORA and the distribution grid (see fig 9: Electrical connection diagram)
### 3.3.1 Switch Box ELECTRICAL CONNECTING and/or DISCONNECTING procedure

**WARNING:** FOLLOW EACH STEP OF THIS PROCEDURE EXTREMELY CAREFULLY in order to avoid damage to equipment and/or injury to people. The AURORA inverter works at high voltage level that may be extremely dangerous if all the precautions are not fulfilled.

**WARNING:** THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS SHALL ALWAYS BE PERFORMED before accessing to the power input of the switch box in order to avoid damage to equipment and/or injury to person.

**STEP 1** If the inverter is connected to the AC Grid (Fig 15—“terminal block for AC connection”— pos. "1", "2" e "3") DISCONNECT the inverter from the AC Grid by opening the switch indicated as Part “D” in Fig 9—“Connecting Diagram”

**STEP 2** Cover carefully all the photovoltaic panel using appropriate cover or perform the grid CONNECTION and/or DISCONNECTION operation during night ours. Anyway make sure that the photovoltaic panels do not provide energy during this operation.
**WARNING**: Always open the AC disconnect switch to disconnect AURORA from the Grid before opening the DC disconnect switch.

**WARNING**: for the electrical cable is required to carefully evaluate: the nominal operative voltage, the insulation rating, the max operating temperature, the current rating and the flammability rating, all the mentioned value need to be selected according with the local safety standard.

When selecting the wire for the installation the correct size needs to be selected in order to avoid efficiency loses, refer to the Table “Tab CN01- SC (section 3.3.7) grid connection to select the cable size.

The electrical power and signals wiring from the inverter to the A.C Grid and to the photovoltaic panel are done through the Switch Box as described in" Fig.11 SB 01 – D.C. Switch Box Layout” –using the access window in pos “A” for the power cable and the Windows in pos “D” for the signal cable.
3.3.2 Access to the internal terminal Blok removing the frontal cover.

**WARNING**: prior to perform the following instruction ALWAYS perform the “AURORA ELECTRICAL DISCONNECT PROCEDURE” described in the item 3.4 “Removal of the AURORA inverter from the D.C switch”.

To remove the cover untighten the 4 screw shown in fig 10 in pos “a” using the flat screwdriver provided in the box with the inverter.

![AURORA with front panel and DC Switch](image)

**Fig.10 - AURORA with front panel and DC Switch**

When the connection operation are completed **tighten** the screws to the cover with at least 1.5Nm (13.2 in-lbs) torque to insure proper waterproof sealing.
3.3.3 **AURORA Switch Box description**

![AURORA Switch Box Layout](image)

**Fig.11 - SB 01 – D.C. Switch Box Layout**

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<tr>
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<td>D.C. and A.C. Power cables knockouts – SIZE: G1&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Silkscreen &quot;ON&quot; / &quot;OFF&quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>D.C. Switch</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>Signals cables entries – SIZE: G1&quot; ½</td>
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**WARNING:** the switch Box disconnect the DC current from the photovoltaic panels when the switch in pos 'E” (see the electrical schematics in Fig.11 SD-01 – Electrical Schematics D.C. Switch Box" and not the AC line going to the Grid. To disconnect the inverter from the Grid the AC switch (not included in the Switch Box) shall be disconnected (see fig 9“connection diagram)
**WARNING:** due to the high Voltage present in the power cable in the Switch Box always **PERFORM THE “Switch Box CONNECTION and/or DISCONNECTION PROCEDURE** as explained on the section 3.3.2 of this manual disconnect the Switch Box from the D.C power cable as described in the “Switch Box connecting and/or Disconnecting procedure” prior to work on those cables.

![Diagram](Fig.11 - SD-01 Switch Box D.C Electrical Schematics)
### POS | Details
---|---
A | Terminal Block A.C OUT
B | DIN bars for accessories
C | GRID STANDARD TABLE
D | MAIN GROUND - MAX WIRE SIZE = AWG# 4 (Refer to local code for minimum wire size)
E | Ground
F | D.C. IN TERMINAL BLOCK
G | Cables Knockouts

**Fig.11 SB-02 –Switch Box**

**Tb SBD –Switch Box internal parts summary.**
3.3.4 AURORA typical electrical installations.

**WARNING**: prior to perform any operation on the Switch Box power input ALWAYS PERFORM THE “Switch Box CONNECTION and/or DISCONNECTION PROCEDURE as explained on section 3.3.1 of this manual.

**WARNING**: THE INPUT CURRENT shall not exceed 18A D.C for each input channel:

**WARNING**: PRIOR to perform the operation described below ALWAYS perform the “ELECTRICAL DISCONNECT PROCEDURE” as described in this manual.

All the screw on the electrical terminal block shall be tightened using a 20 in/lbs torque

**Step 1**: Disconnect from the AC Grid by turning off the "AC Bipolar Switch" – Part "D" in fig. 9 "Electrical connection diagram"

**Step 2**: Remove the Switch Box cover and connect the DC cable to the terminal block in pos "F" in. "Fig.11 SB-02 – Switch Box"; carefully check the correct polarity of the DC cable.

**Step 3**: Connect the A.C cable following the instruction explained in chapter “Electrical connection to the A.C Grid”, section 3.3.6. Refer to the table "CN01 A.C. Grid connection"

**Step 4**: Open the inverter cover(4 screw in pos "b" in fig. 10 and connect the signals cable (optional). Pass the cable inside the Switch Box trough the input knock outs pos "D" fig.11 "SB 01 – D.C. Switch Box Layout") and then inside the inverter trough the cable gland placed in the upper side of the switch Box; finally screw the cable in the appropriate terminal block inside the inverter.

**Step 5**: Remove the cover from the photovoltaic panel or wait for the sun to irradiate the panel.
VERIFY: that the D.C voltage in the Switch Box input (terminal block pos. "F" Fig.11 "SB-02) has the right polarity and is within the operational range.

If the parameter are within the operating range defined in the specification close the Inverter and the Switch Box cover and follow the instruction “START UP” on chapter 4.

3.3.5 Possible AURORA D.C input configuration

WARNING: prior to perform any operation on the Switch Box power input ALWAYS PERFORM THE “Switch Box CONNECTION and/or DISCONNECTION PROCEDURE” as explained on section of this manual.

WARNING: prior to perform the following instruction ALWAYS perform the “AURORA ELECTRICAL DISCONNECT PROCEDURE” section 3.4.1 in this manual.

The AURORA inverter can be configured with an independent MPPT for each D.C input channel or with the 2 input D.C channel connected in parallel with one MPPT. If the inverter is configured with 2 independents MPPT the max current for each channel shall not exceed 18 AMP.

WARNING: THE INPUT CURRENT SHALL NEVER EXCEED 18 A D.C for each channel (single contact in the terminal block “D.C. / ± IN1 e ± IN2") in the Switch Box.

Once the D.C connection is completed follow the instruction in the chapter “ELECTRICAL CONNECTION TO THE A.C GRID”, section 3.3.6
3.3.5.1 AURORA Connection to one single Photovoltaic array

If the system has one single photovoltaic array and the current from it is less than 18 A then the array can be connected to one single input channel (IN1).

**WARNING**: prior to perform the following instruction ALWAYS perform the “AURORA ELECTRICAL DISCONNECT PROCEDURE” described in the section 3.3.1 in this manual.

To avoid possible misreading in the insulation parameters is recommended to short the 2 input of the channel IN2 that is not connected to the photovoltaic array using a electrical cable as indicated in Fig. 12

The cover of the AURORA inverter need to be removed (Rif. Fig. 14 / screws pos. "a") in order to access to the board with the terminal block

Once the cover is removed short the pin marked as "- IN2" e "+ IN2"in the terminal block "D.C. INPUTS". To connect the 2 pin use the cable provided with the unit as shown in Fig. 12

Once the above operations are completed install the cover and tighten the screw with a 1.5Nm (13.2 in-lbs) torque and follow the procedure START UP (Chapter 4).
3.3.5.2 PARALLEL CONNECTION of the AURORA D.C inputs

**WARNING:** prior to perform the following instruction ALWAYS perform the “AURORA ELECTRICAL DISCONNECT PROCEDURE” described in the section 3.3.1 in this manual.

**WARNING:** When the current from the photovoltaic array exceed 18 Amp D.C, when the array power exceed 4KW or when there is a consistent unbalance between the power from the 2 array is necessaries to parallel the 2 input
WARNING: when the inverter is configured with parallel input the current to the 2 input terminals in the Switch Box—rif.: "± IN1" e "± IN2" in fig. "13 / A – Parallel input connection " shall be equally distributed in such a way to limit to 18 A MAX the current for each terminal.

To parallel the 2 input 2 AWG10 cable shall be used to connect the terminal block—IN1 e –IN2 and +IN1 e +IN2 as shown in fig 13 (Black and red cable)

Fig. 13 - Parallel connection

The switch “S1” shall be placed on position “PAR” as shown on Fig 14 in order to configure the inverter in parallel mode.
Fig. 14 - Inerter parallel mode configuration

Once this procedure is completed the front panel can be reinstalled in the unit (apply 13.2 in-lbs torque to the 4 screw) and is possible to start the “START UP “procedure. (Chapter4)
3.3.6 Connection to the AC GRID

**WARNING:** prior to perform the following instruction ALWAYS perform the “AURORA ELECTRICAL DISCONNECT PROCEDURE” described in the section 3.3.1 in this manual.

Step 1: Remove the Switch Box front panel (remove the 4 screw in pos “b” in fig. 10)

Step 2: Lay down the cable between AURORA and the A.C. disconnect switch

Step 3: Pass the A.C cable inside AURORA through one of the cable gland present in the lower side of the Switch Box (see Fig.11 "SB 01 – D.C. Switch Box Layout" – pos. "A")

Steps 4: connect the 3 A.C wire to the relative terminal block present inside the inverter. the connection shall be done based on the type of A.C Grid following the table" Tab CN01 –A.C. Grid connection ". The ground cable shall be connected to the terminal block pointed in pos. "D" on “Fig.11 SB-02 –Switch Box "

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Based on the local GRID standard is possible to select different connection type. The available configurations are shown in the table below (Tab CN01 – A.C Grid connections)
Tab CN01 – A C Grid connections

(*) IMPORTANT: if several AURORA inverter are installed in a triphase A.C GRID is recommended to distribute the inverters between the phases in order to reduce the power unbalances between the phases. Always refer to the local standard.
3.4 Remuval of the AURORA inverter from the D.C switch.

Refer to the following in case become necessary to separate the Inverter Aurora form the DC switch

3.4.1 **ELECTRICAL DISCONNECTION E OF THE INVERTER FROM THE SWITCH BOX PROCEDURE**

**ATTENTION:** CARFULLY FOLLOW EACH STEP OF THIS PROCEDURE in order to avoid any damage to equipment or injury to people. The Aurora inverter operates with high voltage that can be extremely danger!!

**STEP 1:** Disconnect the High Voltage D.C power line coming from the photovoltaic arrays using the appropriate switch in the Switch Box (pos. "C" – fig.11 "SB01"). Turn the switch in the off position as indicated in the silk print (pos B in Fig.11 "SB01") and LOCK as shown in Fig.11"SB 02 – D.C. Switch Box / Safety lock"

![DC Disconnect Switch Box](image-url)
STEP 2: Disconnect the inverter from the A.C Grid using the A.C disconnect switch shown as” Part "D" in Fig. 9 – " Connection diagram "

STEP 3: Wait about one minute to allow the internal capacitors to discharge (verify that the LED in the front panel are off)

END PROC

Once the **LECTRICAL DISCONNECTION OF THE INVERTER FROM THE SWITCH BOX PROCEDURE** is completed remove the 2 frontal panels from the AURORA inverter as shown in the chapter:” Access to the internal terminal block”

Disconnect the D.C cable from the inverter Board (remove the 4 screw from the terminal block + and – IN1 and + and – IN2) (fig. 13/A "parallel connection")

Disconnect the 3 A.C cable ("1", "2" e "3") from the inverter pos "A", "B" e C in Fig. 13/A

Place the D.C cable inside the Switch Box; close the hole in the upper side of Switch Box using the following water-tight cap

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Quantity</th>
<th>Size</th>
<th>Alternative</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>G1”</td>
<td>M32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>G1/2”</td>
<td>PG16, M20</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Close the switch Box cover using the 4 screws

**3.5 Litium battery CR2032 substitution**

**WARNING:** prior to perform the following instruction ALWAYS perform the “AURORA ELECTRICAL DISCONNECT PROCEDURE” described in this manual.

Inside AURARE there is a lithium battery type CR2032. When this battery is end of life a message will be shown in the display informing that the battery need to be replaced.
The battery is visible after removing the AURORA frontal panel.

To insert the new battery in the battery holder the component need to be slide in with a 30° angle as shown on fig 16. once pushed this way it will automatically found the correct position inside the holder.

**Fig.16 - Lithium battery replacement**

⚠️ **WARNING**: the replacement of this component shall be performed only by trained personal.

Once the battery is replaced put back the front panel in the inverter and perform the START UP procedure.
4 START-UP

**WARNING**: Do not place any items on AURORA during operation.

**WARNING**: Do not touch the heat sink when the inverter is operating, as some parts may be hot and cause burns.

The start-up procedure is as follows:

1) Set the external DC disconnect (for the photovoltaic panels) to ON

2) Set the external AC disconnect (for the grid) to ON.
There is no specific order for closing the two disconnects.

3) Once both disconnects are closed, the inverter starts the grid connection sequence, unless the grid voltage and frequency parameters are found to be outside the operating range as per UL 1741 standard. The check routine is indicated by the green LED labelled POWER over the display flashing. The check routine may take 30 seconds up to several minutes, depending on grid condition. Three screens are shown on the display during the check routing:
   - “Measuring Riso…”, connection in progress with progress indication.
   - Grid voltage value and status compared to specified values (within/outside range).
   - Grid frequency value and status compared to specified values (within/outside range).

4) When the connection sequence is completed, AURORA starts operating; proper operation is indicated by a warning sound and the green LED staying on. This means that sun radiation is sufficient to feed the grid.

5) If the grid check routine gave a negative result, the unit will repeat the procedure until all grid voltage and frequency parameters and grid configuration are found to be in the specified range. During this process, the green LED will keep flashing.
5 MONITORING AND DATA TRANSMISSION

5.1 User’s Interface Mode

**WARNING:** The RS-485 cable must provide at least 600V protection.

Normally, the AURORA inverter operates automatically and needs no particular supervision. When solar radiation is not enough to generate power for the grid (for instance, at night), AURORA disconnects automatically and goes into standby mode.

The operating cycle is resumed automatically the moment solar radiation becomes strong enough. This is indicated by the LEDs.

Aurora inverter can provide operational data in the following ways:

- LED indicators
- Operational data on the LCD display
- Data transmission on a dedicated serial RS-485 line. Data can be collected by a PC or a data logger equipped with an RS-485 port. If an RS-485 line is used, it may be convenient to use the AURORA RS-485/RS232 Serial Interface Converter model number PVI-RS232485. An optional AURORA Easy Control data logger is also available.
- Data transmission via USB cable. This type of connection is typically used when monitoring a single inverter and for maintenance purposes. To connect the USB cable, remove the waterproof plug at the bottom end of the inverter right wall (Fig.17).

![Fig.17 - USB port](image-url)
Fig. 18 - Data Transmission Options
5.2 Available Data

AURORA provides two types of data that can be collected using the suitable interface software.

5.2.1 Real-time operational data

Real-time operational data can be transmitted on demand through the communication lines and are not stored by the inverter. The free AURORA Communicator software available on the installation CD may be used to transmit data to a PC (please check for the latest updated version at www.power-one.com).

The following data is available:

- Grid voltage
- Grid current
- Grid frequency
- Power transferred to the grid
- Voltage of photovoltaic array 1
- Current of photovoltaic array 1
- Voltage of photovoltaic array 2
- Current of photovoltaic array 2
- Heat sink temperature
- Serial Number Part Number
- Manufacturing week
- Firmware revision code
- Daily energy
- Leakage current of the system
- Total energy
- Partial energy
- Mean grid voltage
- Insulation resistance
- Leakage current to ground
- Date, time
5.2.2 Internally logged data

Aurora stores internally the following data:

- Lifetime counter of grid connection time
- Lifetime counter of energy transferred to the grid
- Energy transferred to the grid every 10 seconds for the last 8640 periods of 10 seconds (which on average cover more than 2 days logged data)
- Partial counter of grid connection time (counter start time can be reset using the AURORA Communicator software)
- Partial counter of energy (uses the same start time of the partial time counter)
- Last 100 fault conditions with error code and time stamp
- Last 100 changes to grid connection parameters with parameter code and new value.

The first two types of data are displayed on the LCD and through the RS-485 interface, while all other data can be displayed only through RS-485 interface.
5.3 **LED indicators**

There are three LEDs at the side of the display: the first LED from the left (POWER) indicates proper operation of the inverter, the LED in the middle (FAULT) indicates a fault condition, whereas the LED on the right (GFI) indicates a ground fault.

1. The green “Power” LED indicates that AURORA is operating correctly. This LED flashes upon start-up, during the grid check routine. If a correct grid voltage is detected and solar radiation is strong enough to start up the unit, the LED stays on steady. If not so, the LED keeps flashing until solar radiation becomes strong enough to start up the inverter. In this condition, the display will read “Waiting for sun….”

2. The yellow “FAULT” LED indicates that AURORA has detected a fault condition. A fault description appears on the display.

3. The red “GFI” (ground fault) LED indicates that AURORA is detecting a ground fault in the photovoltaic system (DC side). When this kind of fault is detected, AURORA immediately disconnects from the grid and the corresponding fault indication appears on the display. AURORA remains in this condition until the operator presses the ESC key to re-start the grid connection sequence. If AURORA does not reconnect to the grid, call service to have the system troubleshooted.

Possible LED combinations and their meanings are listed in the following table.
### KEY:

- **LED on**
- **LED blinking**
- **LED off**
- **Any one of the above conditions**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>LEDs Status</th>
<th>Operational Status</th>
<th>Remarks</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>green: ☐  yellow: ☒ red: ☒</td>
<td>Aurora self-disconnection during nighttime</td>
<td>Input voltage less than 90 Vdc at both inputs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>green: ☐  yellow: ☒ red: ☒</td>
<td>Aurora initialization, settings loading and waiting for grid check</td>
<td>It is a transition status while operating conditions are checked.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>green: ☐  yellow: ☒ red: ☒</td>
<td>Aurora is powering the grid</td>
<td>Standard machine operation (search of max. power point or constant voltage).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>green: ☐  yellow: ☐ red: ☒</td>
<td>System insulation device faulty</td>
<td>Ground leakage found</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>green: ☒  yellow: ☐ red: ☒</td>
<td>Defect – fault!!!</td>
<td>The Fault can be inside or outside the machine. See the alarm appearing on the LCD.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>green: ☒  yellow: ☒ red: ☒</td>
<td>Installation phase: Aurora is disconnected from grid.</td>
<td>During installation, it refers to set-up of the address for RS-485 communication.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>green: ☐  yellow: ☒ red: ☒</td>
<td>Grid disconnection</td>
<td>Indicates a missing grid condition</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
NOTE: Inverter status is indicated by the corresponding LED turning steady on or flashing and by a display message that provides a description of current operation or fault condition (see next sections).

1) **Nighttime mode**
AURORA disconnected during night time; this occurs when input power is too low to feed the inverter.

2) **AURORA initialization and grid check**
Initialization in progress: input power sufficient to feed the inverter; AURORA is verifying start-up conditions (for instance: input voltage value, insulation resistance value, etc.) and grid check routine is launched.

3) **AURORA is feeding the grid**
After completing a set of electronics and safety auto-test routines, the inverter starts the grid connection process. As mentioned above, during this stage AURORA automatically tracks and analyzes the maximum power point (MPPT) of the photovoltaic field.

4) **Ground insulation fault**
AURORA indicates that insulation resistance was found to be too low.

This may be due to an insulation fault in the connection between the photovoltaic field inputs and the ground.

**WARNING:** Shock hazard! Do not attempt to correct this fault yourself. The instructions below have to be followed very carefully. In case you are not experienced or skilled enough to work safely on the machine, contact a specialized technician.

**What to do after an insulation defect has been found**
When the red LED turns on, try to reset the fault indication by pressing the multi-function ESC key at the side of the display. If AURORA reconnects to the grid, the fault was due to a transient event (such as condensation and moisture getting into the panels). If this trouble occurs frequently, have the system inspected by a specialized technician.

If AURORA does not reconnect to the grid, open both the DC and AC disconnect switches to place AURORA into a safe condition and contact an authorized service center to have the system repaired.
5) **Malfunction/Fault indication**  

Every time Aurora check system detects an operative malfunction or fault of the monitored system, the yellow LED comes on and a message showing the type of problem found appears on the LCD.

6) **RS-485 address setup indication**  

During installation, the yellow LED will keep flashing until the address is acknowledged. For further information about address entering, refer to section 6.3.

7) **Grid disconnection**  

If a grid failure event occurs while the system is regularly operating, the yellow LED turns on steady.

### 5.4 Messages and Error Codes

The system status is identified through message or error signals appearing on the LCD. The tables below summarize the two types of signals that can be displayed.

MESSAGES identify current AURORA status; so they do not relate to faults and nothing has to be done; messages disappears as soon as the system is back to normal operating conditions. See W strings in the table below.

ALARMS identify a possible fault of the equipment or of the connected parts. Alarm signals will disappear as soon as the causes are removed, except for ground insulation faults in the photovoltaic panels, which have to be corrected by qualified personnel. Usually, when an error signal appears, an action is needed. This action will be managed as much as possible by Aurora or, in case this is not possible, Aurora will supply all the necessary helping information to the person who will have to carry out the maintenance operations to fix the fault on the equipment or system. See E strings in the table below.
<table>
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<tr>
<th>Message</th>
<th>Warning</th>
<th>Error type</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sun Low</td>
<td>W001</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Input Voltage under threshold Input voltage under threshold (when off)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input OC</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E001</td>
<td>Input Overcurrent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input UV</td>
<td>W002</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Input Undervoltage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input OV</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E002</td>
<td>Input Overvoltage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E003</td>
<td>No parameters No parameters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bulk OV</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E004</td>
<td>Bulk Overvoltage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E005</td>
<td>Communication Error Communication error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Out OC</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E006</td>
<td>Output Overcurrent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E007</td>
<td>IGBT Sat</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sun Low</td>
<td>W011</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Bulk Undervoltage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E009</td>
<td>Internal Error Internal Error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grid Fail</td>
<td>W003</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Grid Fail Wrong grid parameters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E010</td>
<td>Bulk Low</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E011</td>
<td>Ramp Fail</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DC/DC Fail</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E012</td>
<td>DcDc Error revealed by inverter DcDc fault detected by inverter</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wrong Mode</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E013</td>
<td>Wrong Input setting (Single instead of dual) Wrong input setting (single instead of dual channel)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Over Temp.</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E014</td>
<td>Overtemperature Internal temperature too high</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cap. Fault</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E015</td>
<td>Bulk Capacitor Fail Bulk capacitor fault</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inv. Fail</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E016</td>
<td>Inverter fail revealed by DcDc Inverter fault detected by DcDc</td>
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<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E017</td>
<td>Start Timeout</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ground F.</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E018</td>
<td>I leak fail Leakage current fault I</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E019</td>
<td>Ileak Sensor fail Leakage current fault</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E020</td>
<td>DcDc relay fail DcDc relay fault</td>
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<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E021</td>
<td>Inverter relay fail Inverter relay fault</td>
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<td>E022</td>
<td>Autotest Timeout</td>
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<td>//</td>
<td>E023</td>
<td>Dc-Injection Error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grid OV</td>
<td>W004</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Output Overvoltage</td>
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<td>Message</td>
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<td>Grid UV</td>
<td>W005</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Output Undervoltage</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grid OF</td>
<td>W006</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Output Overfrequency</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grid UF</td>
<td>W007</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Output Underfrequency</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Z Grid HI</td>
<td>W008</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>Z grid out of range</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Impedance outside range</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E024</td>
<td>Unknown Error – Internal Error</td>
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<td>---------</td>
<td>------------</td>
<td>--------------------------------------------------</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E025</td>
<td>Riso Low (Log Only)</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Low insulation resistance (Log only)</td>
</tr>
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<td>Int.Error</td>
<td>//</td>
<td>E026</td>
<td>Vref Error</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Wrong reference voltage (VRef)</td>
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<td>//</td>
<td>E027</td>
<td>Vgrid Measures Fault</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>Grid voltage (VGrid) misreading</td>
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<td>Int.Error</td>
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<td>E028</td>
<td>Fgrid Measures Fault</td>
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<td>Grid frequency (FGrid) misreading</td>
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<td>Zgrid Measures Fault</td>
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<td>Ileak Measures Fault</td>
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<td>Leak current (Ileak) misreading</td>
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<td>Int.Error</td>
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<td>E031</td>
<td>Wrong V Measure</td>
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<td>Voltage (V) misreading</td>
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<td>E032</td>
<td>Wrong I Measure</td>
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<td>Current (I) misreading</td>
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<td>Fan Fail</td>
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<td>Fan Fail (No disconnection)</td>
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<td>Fan faulty (Log Only)</td>
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<td>Internal temperature</td>
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<td>Interlock Fail (Not Used)</td>
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<td>E035</td>
<td>Remote Off</td>
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<td>Remote power-off</td>
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<td>E036</td>
<td>Vout Avg</td>
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<td>Average output voltage outside range</td>
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<tr>
<td>W012</td>
<td>//</td>
<td></td>
<td>Clock Battery Low (No disconnection)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Clock battery low (not operating)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>W013</td>
<td>//</td>
<td></td>
<td>Clock Failure (No disconnection)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Clock faulty (not operating)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.5 LCD Display

5.5.1 Connection of system to the grid

The two-line Liquid Crystal Display is located on the front panel and shows:

- Inverter operating status and statistics;
- Service messages for operator;
- Error messages and fault indications.

During regular operation, the display will cycle through available data. The display changes to a different screen every 5 seconds, or screens may be scrolled manually by pressing the UP (2nd key from display) and DOWN keys (3rd key from display).

1) These two screens are displayed upon inverter start-up:

```
POWER-ONE
Initializing...
Please waiting
```

2) The following screens may appear while waiting for the connection to be established:

```
Missing Grid
Waiting Sun
```

- While the system checks for grid connection to be established (“Missing Grid”), the yellow LED next to the display turns on steady, while the green LED is flashing.
- When waiting for sun radiation (“Waiting Sun”), the green LED turns on steady.
- When the “Missing Grid” and “Waiting Sun” conditions are verified, the inverter is connected.

3) Time (seconds) to complete output voltage and frequency check.

Italian regulations specify a maximum time of 20 sec for these checks, whereas German regulations allow a time limit of 30 sec.

```
Next connections: 2 secs
```

4) Shows instant output voltage value and within/outside range status.

```
Vgrid 197.8 V
In range
```
5) Shows instant output frequency value and within/outside range status.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Fgrid</th>
<th>50.17 Hz</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>In range</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

6) If measured instant values of voltage (step 4) and frequency (step 5) are outside the allowed range, the following screens are shown alternately:
- Next connections (screen 3)
- Vgrid (screen 4)
- Fgrid (screen 5)

7) Instant value of insulation resistance

| Meas. Riso | ........................... |

5.5.2 Error messages

After the connection is established, the inverter runs a test cycle; if wrong data is found, the cycle is interrupted and an error code is displayed. Please look up error codes and their meaning in the table in section 5.4.

Until the error is rectified, the following screens are shown alternately:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ERROR</th>
<th>Code ........</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type OUTD</th>
<th>Part No...........</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>S/N</th>
<th>Firmware........</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

Once the error has been removed, the inverter resets all functions in progress and re-starts the connection (Sect.5.5.2 Connection of system to the grid, item 2)
- Missing Grid
- Waiting Sun
5.5.3 First phase - electric parameter check

A FEW POINTERS ON DISPLAY KEY OPERATION:
During regular operation, the display will cycle through available data. The display changes to a different screen every 5 seconds, or screens may be scrolled manually by pressing the UP (2nd key from display) and DOWN keys (3rd key from display). Either way, pressing the ESC key (right next to the display) calls back the previous menu.

![Fig.20](image1.png) ![Fig.21](image2.png)

Auto-scroll is indicated by 2 arrows in the top left corner of the display (Fig.20). To stop auto-scroll, press the ENTER key (4th key from display). A padlock will appear (Fig.21).

1A) If the measurements taken previously (see sect. 5.5.1) are found to be correct, the system will proceed to the next checks. The 12 screens outlined below are shown alternately as mentioned in section “A FEW POINTERS ON DISPLAY KEY OPERATION”.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>OUTD</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>PN</td>
<td>------</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2A) shows inverter serial number and firmware revision level.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>S/N</th>
<th>xxxxx</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>FW rel.</td>
<td>C.0.1.1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3A)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>E-tod</th>
<th>0 Wh</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$-tod</td>
<td>0.0 EUR</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4A)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>E-tot</th>
<th>0 KWh</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>E-par</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

E-tot: Lifetime energy output (since first installation)
E-par: Partial energy output (during selected period)

5A)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>P-out</th>
<th>0 W</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>T-inv</td>
<td>- °C</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

P-out: Measured instant output power
The second line of the display shows the higher of two temperatures:
T-inv: inverter heat sink temperature
T-boost: Heat sink temperature

6A)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ppk</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ppk Day</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Ppk: Maximum peak power achieved since partial counter was activated
Ppk Day: Maximum peak power achieved during the day. Counter will reset when unit is powered off.

7A)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Vgrid</th>
<th>197 V</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Vgrid Avg</td>
<td>0 V</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Vgrid: Measured instant grid voltage
Vgrid Avg: Average grid voltage during the last 10 minutes of operation

8A)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Igrid</th>
<th>0.8 A</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fgrid</td>
<td>50.18 Hz</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Igrid: Measured instant grid current
Fgrid: Measured instant grid frequency

9A)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Vin1</th>
<th>0 V</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Iin1</td>
<td>0.0 A</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Vin1: Instant input voltage measured at channel 1 input
Iin1: Instant input current measured at channel 1 input
10A)  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Vin2</th>
<th>0 V</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Iin2</td>
<td>0.0 A</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Vin2: Instant input voltage measured at channel 2 input  
Iin2: Instant input current measured at channel 2 input  

Or:  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Vin</th>
<th>0 V</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Iin</td>
<td>0.0 A</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

In a configuration with one input connected and a second input connected in parallel, the following screen is shown instead of the 2 screens described above.

11A)  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pin1</th>
<th>0 W</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Pin2</td>
<td>0 W</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Pin1: Measured instant input power of channel 1  
Pin2: Measured instant input power of channel 2  

| Pin  | 0 W |

In a configuration with one input connected and a second input connected in parallel, the following screen is shown instead of the screen described above.

12A)  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Riso</th>
<th>0.0 Mohm</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ileak</td>
<td>73 mA</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Riso: Measured insulation resistance. Unlike the parameters discussed above, this is not an instant value but a one-off measurement taken upon inverter start-up.
If all items described above tested are OK, the inverter shows a corresponding message in the display top line along with date and time. Clock malfunctioning or other non function-related faults (meaning such faults that do not affect the inverter's ability to generate energy) are shown in the bottom line of the display in place of date and time.

The following error messages are provided:
- CLOCK FAIL indicates clock malfunction, contact service
- BATTERY LOW
- SET TIME, appears the first time the unit is powered up or after the battery has been replaced.
- FAN FAIL: contact service
- MEMORY FAIL: Data logging malfunction. Contact service.

### 5.5.4 Main menu

When the grid connection sequence described above and all electrical parameter checks are completed, other screens become available. These screens let you monitor inverter operation.

Pressing the ESC key (right next to display) gives access to 3 new screens:

- Statistics
- Settings
- Info

**A FEW POINTERS ON DISPLAY KEY OPERATION:**
- Press the UP (2nd key from display) and DOWN keys (3rd key from display) to scroll through items.
- Press the ESC key (right next to display) to go back to the previous session (see sect. 5.5.3).
- Press ENTER (4th key from display) to open the selected submenu.
5.5.5 Statistics

Select the STATISTICS menu to display the following submenu:

The display has 2 lines; use the keys at the side of the display to scroll through items or open the corresponding submenus as described in section 5.5.3 A FEW POINTERS ON DISPLAY KEY OPERATION.

An arrow on the left side of the display highlights your current selection as shown in the following figure:

5.5.5.1 Lifetime

Select Lifetime to view the following information:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>h</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>E-tot</td>
<td>KWh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Val.</td>
<td>EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2</td>
<td>Kg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Time: Lifetime operation time
E-tot: Lifetime energy output
Val.: Money earned
CO2: CO2 saving compared to fossil fuels
5.5.5.2 Partial
Select Partial to view the following information:

<p>| | |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Time</td>
<td>h</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E-par</td>
<td>KWh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ppeak</td>
<td>W</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Val.</td>
<td>EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2</td>
<td>Kg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Time: Total operation time since counter was last reset *
E-par: Total energy output since counter was last reset *
Ppeak: Maximum peak power measured since Partial counter was activated
Val.: Money earned since counter was last reset *
CO2: CO2 saving compared to fossil fuels since counter was last reset *

* Hold the ENTER key (4th key from display) depressed for over 3 seconds to reset all counters in this submenu. After 3 seconds, a warning sound is repeated 3 times.

5.5.5.3 Today
Select Today to view the following information:

<p>| | |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>E-tod</td>
<td>KWh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ppeak</td>
<td>W</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Val.</td>
<td>EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2</td>
<td>Kg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

E-tod: Total energy output during the day
Ppeak: Peak power achieved during the day
Val: Money earned during the day
CO2: CO2 saving compared to fossil fuels during the day

5.5.5.4 Last 7 days
Select Last 7 days to view the following information:

<p>| | |</p>
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>E-7d</td>
<td>KWh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Val.</td>
<td>EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2</td>
<td>Kg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

E-7d: Total energy output during the last 7 days
Val.: Money earned during the last 7 days
CO2: CO2 saving compared to fossil fuels during the last 7 days
5.5.5.5 Last Month
Select Last Month to view the following information:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>E-mon</th>
<th>KWh</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Val.</td>
<td>EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2</td>
<td>Kg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

E-mon: Total energy output during the month
Val.: Money earned during the month
CO2: CO2 saving compared to fossil fuels during the month.

5.5.5.6 Last 30 Days
Select Last 30 Days to view the following information:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>E-30d</th>
<th>KWh</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Val.</td>
<td>EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2</td>
<td>Kg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

E-30d: Total energy output during the last 30 days
Val.: Money earned during the last 30 days
CO2: CO2 saving compared to fossil fuels during the last 30 days

5.5.5.7 Last 365 Days
Select Last 365 Days to view the following information:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>E-365d</th>
<th>KWh</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Val.</td>
<td>EUR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2</td>
<td>Kg</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
E-365d: Total energy output during the last 365 days
Val.: Money earned during the last 365 days
CO2: CO2 saving compared to fossil fuels during the last 365 days

5.5.5.8 User period

This feature measures energy saving during a period selected by the user. Press ENTER from the “User period” screen to access the following submenu:

```
Start 23 June
End  28 August
```

Use the display keys to set the start and end date of the period as follows:
- Use ENTER to move from one field to the next (from left to right)
- Use ESC to go back to the previous field (from right to left)
- Press ESC repeatedly to go back to the previous menus as described in sect. 5.5.3

To set days:
- Press DOWN to scroll numbers backwards (from 31 to 1)
- Press UP to scroll numbers from 1 to 31

To set the month:
- Press DOWN to scroll months from December to January
- Press UP to scroll months from January to December

If set dates are inconsistent, the display alerts the user to the problem:
5.5.6 Setting

Select SETTING from the Main menu (sect. 5.5.4) to display the first screen, that refers to the password:

Default password is 0000. It can changed using the keys on display as usual:
- Use ENTER to move from one figure to the next (from left to right)
- Use ESC to go back to the previous figure (from right to left)
- Press ESC repeatedly to go back to the previous menus as described in sect. 5.5.3
- Press DOWN to scroll numbers backwards (from 9 to 0)
- Press UP to scroll numbers from 0 to 9

Type in the correct password and press ENTER to access all information of this section:

The display has 2 lines; use the keys at the side of the display to scroll through items or open the corresponding submenus as described in section 5.5.4 A FEW POINTERS ON DISPLAY DATA READING.

An arrow on left side of the display highlights your current selection. When chosen item is selected, press ENTER to open the submenu.
5.5.6.1 Address
This function is used to set addresses for communication of the single inverters connected in the system on RS485 line. You can assign numbers from 2 to 250. Press UP and DOWN to scroll numbers. If you do not want to manually set the address of each inverter, select the AUTO function and they will be distributed automatically.

5.5.6.2 Display Set
This function is used to set display features:

1) **Light**: display light setting:

- Use the MODE key to set display backlighting. Select the Mode item with the arrow, and press ENTER to open the relevant submenu. The following screen is:

ON: Light always on
OFF: Light always off
AUTO: Automatic light setting. It turns on every time a key is pressed and stays on for 30 seconds then gradually turns off.
2) **Contrast:** display light contrast
Available display light tones go from 0 to 9.
Press UP and DOWN to scroll numbers and then press ENTER to confirm.

3) **Buzzer:** key tone setting
Selecting:
ON: key tone on
OFF: key tone off

5.5.6.3 **Service**
Only installing staff can gain access to this function, which is password-protected and dedicated code is supplied by Power-One.

5.5.6.4 **New Password**
This function is used to change the default password 0000.
To set your personal code, use the display keys as follows:
- Use ENTER to move from one digit to the next (from left to right)
- Use ESC to go back to the previous digit (from right to left)
- Press ESC repeatedly to go back to the previous menus as described in sect. 5.5.3
- Press DOWN to scroll numbers backwards (from 9 to 0)
- Press UP to scroll numbers from 0 to 9

5.5.6.5 **Cash**
This function is about energy output savings.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>EUR</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Val/KWh</td>
<td>0.50</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Name: set desired currency, using keys as usual. Default currency is Euro.
Val/KWh: it indicates the cost of 1 KWh expressed in set currency. Default setting is 0.50 Euro.

5.5.6.6 **Time**
This function allows time and date setting.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>14:21</td>
<td>17 May 2006</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.5.6.7 Language
It is possible to set the national language or English.

5.5.6.8 START Voltage
Start-up voltage can be set according to available photovoltaic system. Voltage range can be 120V to 350V. Default setting for Aurora is 200V. This parameter can be changed by means of the display keys.

5.5.6.9 Autotest
Aurora internal test checking correct operation of the protection and the grid interface device, as provided for by UL 1741 regulation.

Press ENTER to access all information of this section:

OV = Max. voltage
UV = Min. voltage
OF = Max. Frequency
UF = Min. Frequency
DC injection = Output current direct component. This component shall not be >0.5% with respect to inverter maximum rated current, or unit will switch off.
The display has 2 lines; use the keys at the side of the display to scroll through items or open the corresponding submenus. An arrow on left side of the display highlights your current selection. When chosen item is selected, press ENTER to open the submenu. As soon as test is selected, the display shows

```
Test in progress
```

During the test the display gives test progress indication. If test is passed, depending on selected item, the display shows:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Test</th>
<th>V=.... V</th>
<th>Test</th>
<th>F=.... Hz</th>
<th>Test</th>
<th>I=.... mA</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OK</td>
<td>T=.....ms</td>
<td>OK</td>
<td>T=.....ms</td>
<td>OK</td>
<td>T=.....ms</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

V= measured voltage; T= time necessary to take the measurement
F= measured frequency; T= time necessary to take the measurement

While if test is failed, the following will be displayed:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Test</th>
<th>V=.... V</th>
<th>Test</th>
<th>F=.... Hz</th>
<th>Test</th>
<th>I=.... mA</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fail</td>
<td>T=.....ms</td>
<td>Fail</td>
<td>T=.....ms</td>
<td>Fail</td>
<td>T=.....ms</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

V= measured voltage; T= time necessary to take the measurement
F= measured frequency; T= time necessary to take the measurement

**5.5.6.10 Alarm**
The inverter features an alarm function that opens or closes a relay contact, access can be gained through front door as indicated in Fig. 22. This contact can be used for instance to activate a siren or a visual alarm in case inverter is disconnected from the grid (no energy output) or for any alarm event generated by the system. This function can activate two alarm modes. Press ENTER to open the relevant submenu:

```
⇒ Production
Fault
```

An arrow on left side of the display highlights your current selection. When chosen item is selected, press ENTER to confirm activation of chosen mode.
**PRODUCTION**: Relay is only activated when inverter is connected to the grid (contact closing across terminals “N.O.” and “C”)

**FAULT**: triggers relay activation (contact closing across terminals “N.O.” and “C”), only when an error signal occurs, i.e. when grid is disconnected, excluding Input Under Voltage.

![Fig. 22 - alarm contacts terminal block](image)

5.5.6.11 Remote Control

This function is used to disable inverter manual switch-off. Operation is as follows:
- set to ENABLE to activate manual ON/OFF function
- set to DISABLE to disable manual ON/OFF function, so that Aurora operation will only depend on external solar radiation.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Remote ON/OFF</th>
<th>Remote ON/OFF</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Enable</td>
<td>Disable</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Manual ON and OFF input is read on inverter digital input. When set to OFF, the display will cycle through the following screens:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Remote OFF</th>
<th>Waiting Rem.ON...</th>
<th>....to restart</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
5.5.6.12 UV Prot.time

This function is used to set inverter connection time after input voltage drops below Under Voltage limit, set at 90V. For example: if UV Prot.time is set at 60 seconds, and Vin voltage drops below 90V at 9.00, the inverter stays connected to the grid (at 0 power) up to 9.01.

Power-One sets this time at 60 seconds. The user can change this setting and set it from 1 second to 3600 seconds.

5.5.6.13 MPPT scan

This function is used to automatically detect input power max. multiples.

5.5.6.14 Scan Interval

This function is used to set time interval for system max.multiple scan. Default setting is 15 minutes.
5.5.7  **Info**

This menu is used to display all Aurora data:

- Part No. (part number)
- Serial No. – Wk – Yr (serial number, week, year)
- Fw rel (firmware release level)
6 DATA CHECK AND COMMUNICATION

6.1 Connection through RS-485 serial port or RJ12 connectors

6.1.1 RS-485 serial port

RS-485 serial port uses a three-wire cable: two wires are for signals and the third one is for ground connection. Cable is routed through the holes located at Inverter bottom which are blanked with waterproof plugs (see Fig.23). Supplied cable gland must be installed in the suitable hole.

For easier installation, the inverter features two holes so that input and output cables can be separated in case more units are connected in a daisy chain as described below.

After passing through cable gland, cables are connected inside of the unit to RS-485 terminal blocks that can be reached by removing the front door. Refer to par. 3.7 for details on front cover correct removal and reassembly procedure.

- Signal wires must be connected to +T/R and –T/R terminals
- Ground wire must be connected to RTN terminal
Fig. 24 - Terminals for connection to RS-485 serial line and S2 switch
6.1.2 RJ12 connectors

As an alternative to RS485 serial connection, be it as single units or as a daisy chain, inverter connection can be performed by means of RJ12 connectors (see fig. 24).

Wiring is again routed through the holes located at Inverter bottom which are blanked with waterproof plugs (see Fig.23). Input wiring passes through one hole and is to be assembled to one of the RJ12 connectors; ti does not matter whether it is no. 1 or no. 2 since signals are the same considering that they are connected in parallel. Output wiring goes out from the other RJ12 connector through the other hole and reaches the next unit.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pin #</th>
<th>Signal Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Not Used</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>+TR</td>
<td>+ Data Line Required for RS485 communication.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>+R</td>
<td>Remote OFF Required or Remote OFF control (see chapter 5.5.6.11 for details).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>-TR</td>
<td>- Data Line Required for RS485 communication.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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6.1.3 Daisy chain

RS-485 terminal block or RJ12 connectors can be used to connect a single AURORA inverter or many AURORA inverters connected in a daisy chain. Maximum number of inverters that can be connected in daisy chain is 248. Recommended maximum length of this chain is 1200 metres.

In case many inverters are connected in a daisy chain, it is necessary to assign an address to each unit. Refer to paragraph 5.5.6.1 for instructions on how to set addresses.

Moreover, the last inverter of the chain must have line termination contact active (S2 switch - 120Ω TERM set to ON). See fig. 24.

Any AURORA device is supplied with default address two (2) and with the S1 dip switch in the OFF position.

In order to ensure optimum communication on RS485 line, Power-One recommends to connect PVI-RS232485 adapter in-between the first unit of the daisy chain and the computer. See fig. 25 for further details.

To this purpose other equivalent devices available on the market can also be used but Power-One does not assure correct connection operation since equipment has never been tested with these equivalent devices.

Please note that these commercial devices could require an external termination impedance, which is not necessary for Aurora PVI-232485.

The following diagram shows you how to connect many multiple units in daisy chain configuration.
**Fig. 25 - Daisy chain multiple connection**

- **NOTE**: When using RS-485 link there can be up to 248 inverters connected on the same link. Choose any address between 2 and 248.

- **NOTE**: When using RS-485 link, in case one or more inverters are added later to the system, please remember to switch back to the OFF position the dip-switch of the former last inverter of the system.
6.2 Serial connection with USB port

Serial connection through USB port allows connection of a single inverter to a personal computer equipped with a USB 2.0 interface and dedicated software supplied by Power-One. PC-inverter connection cable is a standard USB 2.0 cable, 5 metre long, with terminals of the A and B type. Just remove the waterproof plug located on Aurora side to make the connection (see fig. 26).

Fig. 26 - USB connection
### 6.3 Measurement Accuracy

Every measure should consider possible errors. The following tables show for each reading:
- measurement units;
- capacity;
- resolution.

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<td>1V</td>
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7 TROUBLESHOOTING

Aurora inverters comply with standards set for grid-tied operation, safety and electromagnetic compatibility.

Before being delivered, the product has been successfully subjected to several tests to check: operation, protective devices, performance and durability.

All these tests, together with the system ensuring Power-One quality, guarantee Aurora optimal operation.

In case of any possible malfunction of the inverter, solve problems as follows:

- Work under safe conditions, as stated in chapter 3.5 and following, check that connections between Aurora, photovoltaic field and power distribution grid have been made correctly.

- Carefully observe which LED is blinking and read the signal appearing on the display; then, following the instructions given in chapters 5.3, 5.4 and 5.5, try to identify the type of fault found.

If the malfunction cannot be removed by following these instructions, contact the service center or the installer (see following page).
Before contacting the service center, keep the following information handy:

**INFO Aurora**

[Image of a hand pointing to a note]

**NOTE:** Information to be found directly on LCD

- Aurora model?
- Serial number?
- Week of production?
- LED flashing?
- Light blinking or steady?
- Signal displayed?

- Malfunction short description?
- Can malfunction be reproduced?
- If so, how?
- Does malfunction appear cyclically?
- If so, how frequently?
- Is malfunction present from installation?
- If so, has it worsened?
- Description of the atmospheric conditions when the malfunction appeared.

**INFO on the Photovoltaic Field**

- Make and model of photovoltaic panels
- System structure:
  - array max. voltage and current values
  - number of strings for the array
  - number of panels for each string
8 TECHNICAL FEATURES

8.1 Input Values

**WARNING:** the Photovoltaic field and system wiring must be configured in such a way that the PV input voltage is less than the maximum upper limit independently from the type, the number and the operating conditions of the chosen photovoltaic panels.

As panel voltage also depends on working temperature, the number of panels per string shall be chosen according to the min. ambient temperature expected in that special area (see table A).

**WARNING:** Inverter is provided with a linear output power derating depending on the input voltage, starting from 530 Vdc (100% output power) to 580 Vdc (0% output power)

**WARNING:** The open circuit voltage of the photovoltaic panels is affected by the ambient temperature (the open circuit voltage increases as the temperature decreases) you have to make sure that the minimum temperature estimated for the installation doesn’t cause the panels to exceed the maximum upper limit of 600Vdc.

As an example, the following table shows for typical panels of 36, 48 and 72 cells the maximum voltage of each panel as a function of the temperature (assuming a nominal open circuit voltage of 0.6Vdc per cell at 25°C and a temperature coefficient of -0.0023V/°C). The table shows, therefore, the maximum number of panels that can be connected in series as a function of the minimum temperature at which the system will operate. Consult the panel manufacturer for the correct temperature coefficient of Voc, before calculating the maximum voltage of the photovoltaic array.
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Table A
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<tr>
<td><strong>Nominal input voltage</strong></td>
<td>360Vdc</td>
<td>360Vdc</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Max. absolute input voltage</strong></td>
<td>600Vdc</td>
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<td><strong>Input voltage, MPPT operating range</strong></td>
<td>90 Vdc to 580 Vdc</td>
<td>90 Vdc to 580 Vdc</td>
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<td><strong>Input voltage, MPPT operating range at full power</strong></td>
<td>150 Vdc to 530 Vdc</td>
<td>180 Vdc to 530 Vdc</td>
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<td><strong>Max. short circuit current (of each array)</strong></td>
<td>22 Adc</td>
<td>22 Adc</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Max. operating input current (of each array)</strong></td>
<td>18 Adc</td>
<td>18 Adc</td>
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<td><strong>Max. input power (of each array)</strong></td>
<td>4000 W</td>
<td>4000 W</td>
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<td><strong>PV Ground fault protection</strong></td>
<td>Ground fault detector and interruption provided</td>
<td>Ground fault detector and interruption provided</td>
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<td><strong>Input channels configuration (array)</strong></td>
<td>Two independent MPPT channel with shared negative poles or Two channels in parallel</td>
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**NOTE:** If the input current supplied by the photovoltaic field connected to the inverter is above the max. value and the input voltage is within the allowed range, the inverter is not damaged.
## 8.2 Output Values

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<td>Nominal output power</td>
<td>5000W</td>
<td>6000 W</td>
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<tr>
<td>Grid voltage, maximum range</td>
<td>180 to 264 Vac</td>
<td>180 to 264 Vac</td>
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| Grid voltage, nominal                            | Default: 240V split phase  
Optional: 208 or 277 single phase (setting required) | Default: 240V split phase  
Optional: 208 or 277 single phase (setting required) |
| Grid voltage, operating range as per UL 1741 regulation | 82% to 115% of nominal voltage  
(188.6 to 264Vac for V=230Vac) | 82% to 115% of nominal voltage  
(188.6 to 264Vac for V=230Vac) |
| Grid frequency, maximum range                    | 47 Hz to 63 Hz        | 47 Hz to 63 Hz        |
| Grid frequency, nominal                          | 60 Hz                 | 60 Hz                 |
| Grid frequency, operating range as per UL 1741 regulation | 59.72 Hz to 60.28 Hz  | 59.72 Hz to 60.28 Hz  |
| Nominal output current                           | 24 Arms; 20 Arms; 18 Arms | 29 Arms; 25 Arms; 21.6 Arms |
| Max. output current                              | 30 Arms               | 30 Arms               |
### 8.3 Grid protection characteristics

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<th>Output over current protection</th>
<th>40 Arms</th>
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- **Anti islanding protection**
  - Complies with:
    - UL 1741 standard.
8.4 General characteristics

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<td>Maximum efficiency</td>
<td>97% (&gt;96 Euro)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Internal consumption during stand-by</td>
<td>&lt; 8 W</td>
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<td>Internal consumption during nighttime</td>
<td>&lt; 1 W</td>
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<tr>
<td>Operating ambient temperature</td>
<td>-25°C to +60°C (*)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Casing protection rating</td>
<td>IP65 / Nema 4X</td>
</tr>
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<td>Audible noise with internal fan on</td>
<td>&lt; 50 dbA @ 1m</td>
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<tr>
<td>Size (height x width x depth):</td>
<td>740 x 325 x 190 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td>27 kg</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Relative Humidity</td>
<td>0 – 100 % condensation point</td>
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(*) Full power guaranteed up to T.amb = 40°C (as far as unit is not exposed to direct sun radiation)
8.5 Power Derating

In order to ensure inverter operation under safe conditions both from the temperature and electrical point of view, the unit automatically decreases power input in the distribution grid.

Power derating can occur in two cases:

**Power reduction due to environmental conditions**
Power reduction and temperature at which it occurs depend on many operating parameters other than ambient temperature, such as input voltage, grid voltage and power available from the photovoltaic panels. AURORA can thus decrease power output during certain periods of the day according to these parameters.
In any case, AURORA ensures top power up to 40°C ambient temperature, as far as it is not directly exposed to the sun.

**Power reduction due to input voltage**
The graph shows automatic power output derating when input or output voltage is too high or too low.
Output Power – two Dc sections operating

Fig. 27
Fig. 28

Necessary conditions for power derating due to environmental conditions and to input voltage can occur at the same time, but in this instance power derating will always consider the lowest value detected.
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PART A

Utility Interactive Inverter, Models PVI-6000-OUTD-US and PVI-6000-OUTD-US-W provided with two DC input channels, permanently connected, system ratings as follows:

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<td>600 Vdc</td>
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<td>Range of Input Operating Voltage (DC)</td>
<td>90-580 Vdc, 360 Vdc nominal</td>
<td>50-580 Vdc, 360 Vdc nominal</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum Input Current (DC)</td>
<td>18 A (Each Input)</td>
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<td>22 A (Each Input)</td>
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<td>Maximum Utility Backfeed</td>
<td>30 A / 35 A / 40 A (277 V / 240 V)</td>
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<td>Operating Frequency Range (HZ)</td>
<td>59.3-60.5 Hz</td>
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<td>Nominal Output Voltage (AC)</td>
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<td>Normal Output Frequency</td>
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<td>Continuous Output Current (AC)</td>
<td>24 A / 28 A / 30 A</td>
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<td>Maximum Continuous Output Power (AC)</td>
<td>@ 50°C ambient: 6000 W</td>
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<td>30 A / 35 A / 40 A</td>
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#### Notes:

1. Inverter, Models PVI-6000-OUTD-US and PVI-6000-OUTD-US-W have been evaluated for use in utility-interactive applications.
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3. Inverter, Models PVI-6000-OUTD-US and PVI-6000-OUTD-US-W have been evaluated for outdoor use.
4. Maximum output power can be delivered only with an input voltage range of:
   - 200-530 Vdc for 208 Vac configuration
   - 200-550 Vdc for 240 Vac configuration
   - 200-530 Vdc for 277 Vac configuration
   Refer to the Installation Instruction Manual for derating details.
5. Inverter, Models PVI-6000-OUTD-US and PVI-6000-OUTD-US-W are intended to be used in an ungrounded Photovoltaic (PV) power system in conjunction with the requirements specified in the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70, 2005 Ed, section 690.35.
PART B

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<td>Maximum Utility Backfeed Current (AC)</td>
<td>25 A / 30 A / 35 A (277 V / 240 V / 208 V Configuration Respectively)</td>
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<td>Operating Voltage Range (AC)</td>
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APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS

CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 0-M91 - General Requirements - Canadian Electrical Code - Part II
CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 0.4 M1982 - Bonding and Grounding of Electrical Equipment
CSA-C22.2 No.107.1-01 - General Use Power Supplies
UL Std No. 1741-First Edition - Static Inverters and Charge Controllers for Use in Photovoltaic Power Systems (Including Revisions through and including November 7, 2005)
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