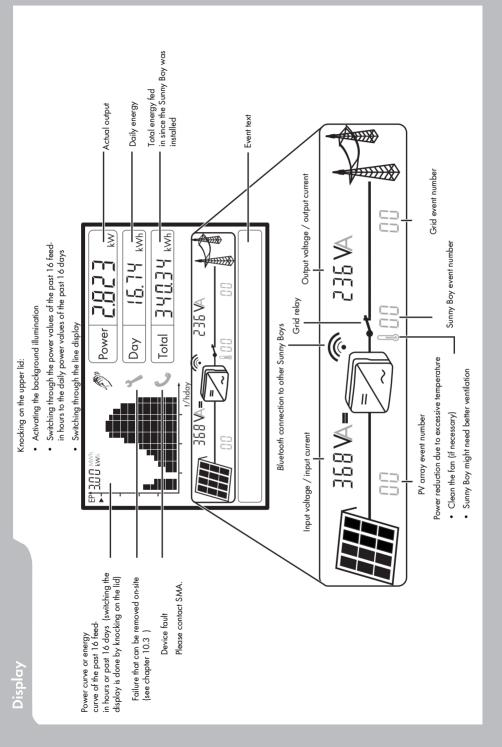


# PV Inverter SUNNY BOY 2000HF-US/2500HF-US/3000HF-US User Manual







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### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

#### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

This manual contains important instructions for models Sunny Boy 2000HF-US, 2500HF-US, 3000HF-US PV inverter, that must be followed during installation and maintenance of the PV inverter.

The models Sunny Boy 2000HF-US, 2500HF-US, 3000HF-US are designed and tested according to international safety requirements, but as with all electrical and electronic equipment, certain precautions must be observed when installing and/or operating the models Sunny Boy 2000HF-US, 2500HF-US, 3000HF-US. To reduce the risk of personal injury and to ensure the safe installation and operation of the models Sunny Boy 2000HF-US, 2500HF-US, 3000HF-US, you must carefully read and follow all instructions, cautions and warnings in this user manual.

#### Warnings in this document

A warning describes a hazard to equipment or personnel. It calls attention to a procedure or practice, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to or destruction of part or all of the SMA equipment and/or other equipment connected to the SMA equipment or personal injury.

DANGER

DANGER indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

#### WARNING

WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

# CAUTION

CAUTION indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

#### NOTICE

NOTICE is used to address practices not related to personal injury.

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#### Other Symbols in this document

In addition to the safety and hazard symbols described on the previous pages, the following symbol is also used in this user manual:



#### Information

This symbol accompanies notes that call attention to supplementary information that you must know and use to ensure optimal operation of the system.

#### Markings on this product

The following symbols are used as product markings with the following meanings.



Warning regarding dangerous voltage

The product works with high voltages. All work on the product must only be performed as described in it's documentation.



Beware of hot surface

The product can become hot during operation. Do not touch the product during operation.



Observe the operating instructions

Read the product's documentation before working on it. Follow all safety precautions and instructions as described in the documentation.



This inverter is evaluated to UL 1741, which includes assessment to all of the requirements of IEEE1547 and IEEE1547.1, which are an outgrowth and further development of the IEEE recommended practices and guidelines contained in IEEE Std. 929-2000. IEEE 929-2000 provides recommendations regarding the proper equipment and functionality necessary to ensure compatible operation when power generation is connected to the utility grid. The inverter is additionally evaluated to CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 107.1-1.

#### **General Warnings**

### General Warnings

All electrical installations must be done in accordance with the local codes and National Electrical Code<sup>®</sup> ANSI/NFPA 70 or the Canadian Electrical Code<sup>®</sup> CSA C22.1.

The Sunny Boy contains no user-serviceable parts except for the fan on the bottom of the enclosure. For all repair and maintenance always return the unit to an authorized SMA Service Center.

Before installing or using the Sunny Boy, read all of the instructions, cautions, and warnings on the Sunny Boy in this installation guide.

Before connecting the Sunny Boy to the power distribution grid, contact the local power distribution grid company. This connection must be made only by qualified personnel.

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# 1 Notes on this Manual

This manual contains instructions for operating the Sunny Boy inverter. Store this manual so that it is always easily accessible.

# 1.1 Validity

This manual applies to the following inverters:

- Sunny Boy 2000HF-US (SB 2000HF-US-30)
- Sunny Boy 2500HF-US (SB 2500HF-US-30)
- Sunny Boy 3000HF-US (SB 3000HF-US-30)

# 1.2 Target Group

This manual has been prepared for use by qualified personnel and those operating the inverter. Activities to be carried out by qualified personnel have been noted with safety instructions.

• Qualified Personnel

Qualified personnel have received training and have demonstrated skills and knowledge in the construction and operation of the device. Qualified personnel are trained to deal with the dangers and hazards involved in installing electric devices.

Operator

The operator has been adequately trained and instructed by qualified personnel in order to ensure safe operation of the inverter.

# 1.3 Additional Information

The installation guide included with the equipment contains information regarding assembly, installation, commissioning and maintenance of the inverter as well as technical specifications pertaining to the equipment.

Further information about SMA America Production, LLC equipment is available in the download section of the website www.SMA-America.com.

The download section includes, among others, the technical description: "SMA  $Bluetooth^{(\! B\!)}$  Wireless Technology".

# 1.4 Nomenclature

In this document SMA America Production, LLC and SMA Solar Technology Canada Inc. are referred to in the following as SMA.

# 2 Safety

Safety

#### 2.1 Appropriate Usage

The Sunny Boy is a solar inverter that converts the DC current of the PV array into an AC current and feeds it into the grid.

Refer to the inverter installation guide for detailed information about the product and its intended use. The limit values specified in the installation guide of the respective inverter must be strictly adhered to.

The inverter may only be operated with PV arrays (modules and cabling) that have protective insulation. Do not connect any power sources other than PV modules to the inverter.

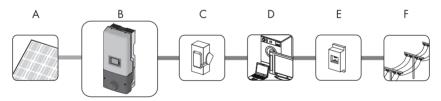
Do not use the inverter for purposes other than those described here. Alternative uses, modifications to the inverter or the installation of components not expressly recommended or sold by the manufacturer void the warranty claims and operating permission.

Contact the SMA Serviceline if you need clarification regarding proper use of the inverter.

#### Principle of the string inverter

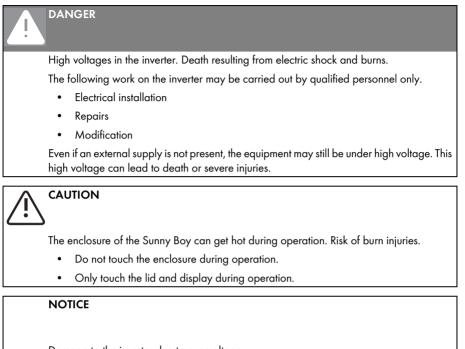
The string inverter connects solar modules that are connected in series (strings) to the power distribution grid. Thus, even large PV arrays can be set up using multiple individual strings, each having its own respective string inverter.

#### Principle of a grid-connected PV system with a Sunny Boy



Position	Description
Α	PV array
В	Sunny Boy with integrated DC disconnect
С	Line circuit breaker
D	Load
E	Engery meter
F	Power distribution grid

#### 2.2 Safety Instructions



Damage to the inverter due to overvoltage.

• Verify that the DC voltage of your installation does not exceed the maximum values specified on the type rating label.

## 2.3 Identifying the Product

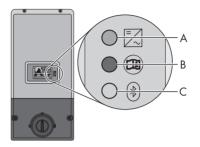
You can identify the inverter by the type plate. The type plate is on the right side of the enclosure.

The type plate specifies among other things the device type (Type / Model), the serial number (Serial No.) and device-specific key data of the product.

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# **3 Operating Modes**

The inverter indicates various operating conditions with the help of 3 LEDs on the enclosure lid. The equipment must be connected to a DC power supply. Furthermore the equipment must be connected to the grid on the AC side to be able to indicate its operational state via display and integrated LEDs. There must be adequate solar radiation for the inverter to receive the necessary DC voltage.



LED	Description
Α	Green LED
	LED lit: Inverter in normal operating mode LED flashing: Inverter waiting for adequate solar radiation
В	Red LED
	LED lit: Fault in the inverter. Note the serial number of the inverter and the fault number and contact your installer. The fault number is indicated on the inverter display unit.
С	Blue LED
	LED lit: Inverter is connected to a <i>Bluetooth</i> network and can communicate with other devices having the same NetID.



#### LED display

In case you do not have any communication devices available, monitor the LEDs of the inverter and graphic display regularly at various times during the day and under varying conditions of solar radiation, particularly in the first year after installation. Thus, you can detect any potential faults in the system in a timely manner.

The following section contains a detailed description of various LED displays and inverter operating states.

# 3.1 LED Displays

#### 3.1.1 All LEDs are off

#### **Overnight shutdown**

The DC voltage on the inverter is too low for grid feeding. If this operating state occurs during the day with proper solar radiation, have your installer check the DC voltage.

#### 3.1.2 Green LED is flashing

#### Startup

The DC voltage is adequate for the inverter to be calibrated. However, the DC voltage is not adequate for feeding operation of the inverter.

Usually, inverter calibration requires less than 10 seconds. Thereafter, the inverter commences normal feeding operation.

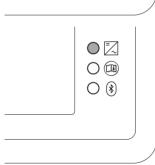
# 3.1.3 Green LED is continuously lit

#### **Feeding operation**

The inverter is operating normally and is feeding power to the power distribution grid.

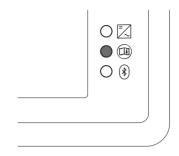


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#### 3.1.4 Red LED is continuously lit

The inverter has detected a malfunction within the device or in the grid. The inverter has disconnected from the power distribution grid. The inverter indicates the error number on the display unit (see section 4.1 "Display Information Overview" (page 16)). Note the serial number of the inverter and the error number and contact your installer.



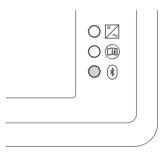


#### Troubleshooting by installer

Contact your installation technician, who will troubleshoot the error or get in touch with the SMA Serviceline.

#### 3.1.5 Blue LED is continuously lit

The inverter is connected to a Bluetooth network.



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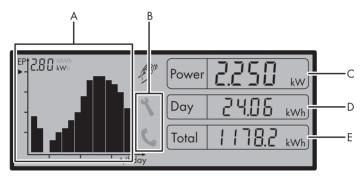
# 4 Information on the Display

The Sunny Boy provides information on the display unit during operation.

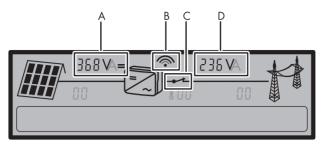
#### Activate display unit background illumination

Activate the display background illumination by tapping on the cover of the enclosure lid. The background illumination switches off automatically.

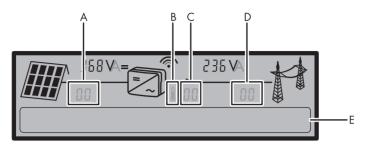
#### 4.1 Display Information Overview



Position	Description
Α	Performance chart of the past 16 hours / last 16 days.
	The inverter displays the feed-in power in the performance diagram. By default, the inverter displays the feed-in power of the past 16 hours. The inverter refreshes the display every 5 seconds. When you tap on the cover of the enclosure lid, the display changes and shows the power fed over the past 16 days.
В	A malfunction has occurred.
	The inverter displays this icon when it detects a malfunction in the equipment or the power grid. The inverter indicates the error number on its display unit. Note the serial number of the inverter and the error number and contact your installer.
С	Current inverter output power.
D	Total energy produced on this day.
E	Total energy output of the inverter since commissioning.



Position	Description
Α	Current DC voltage at the inverter.
В	Quality of the link to other PV system Bluetooth devices.
	You can see whether the inverter has a radio link to a device of its PV system on the link quality icon. The number of rings indicates the quality of the <i>Bluetooth</i> connection between the devices. The more rings displayed, the better the link quality.
С	Status display of power feed
	Switch closed: The Sunny Boy feeds power to the power distribution grid and supplies power to loads connected to it directly.
	Switch open: The Sunny Boy does not feed power into the power distribution grid and does not supply power to any loads connected to it directly.
D	Current AC main voltage



Position	Description	
Α	PV array event number	
	Shows events that have occurred on the PV array.	
В	Warning icon for power reduction.	
	The temperature in the inverter is too high. The inverter reduces power output in order to cool down. If the inverter fan is dirty, clean it (see section 5.1 "Cleaning the Fan" (page 19)). If the inverter displays the icon even after the fan has been cleaned, ensure proper ventilation.	
С	Inverter event number.	
	It displays events that have occurred on the inverter.	
D	Grid event number.	
	This displays events that have taken place on the power distribution grid.	
E	Event display line of text.	
	The text field displays additional information if any events have occurred on the PV array or on the power distribution grid. Tapping on the lid leads you to further information on the event.	

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#### Display messages

The inverter installation manual provides detailed information regarding event numbers, various error and malfunction messages.



#### Measurement accuracy

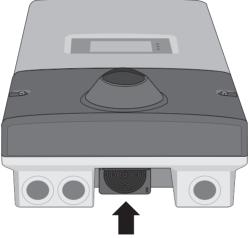
The inverter does not have a calibrated meter. The values on the display unit may differ from the actual values. You may not use the values as the basis for any billing purposes.

# 5 Maintenance and Cleaning

Check for proper inverter operation at regular intervals. Dirt, such as dust, can cause heat accumulation, which can lead to yield losses. Check the inverter and cables for any signs of external damage. Have repairs carried out if necessary.

## 5.1 Cleaning the Fan

WARNING Only qualified personnel may dismantle the inverter fan. The procedure for dismantling the fan for cleaning is described in the inverter installation guide.



If the fan guards are dirty with loose dust, then you can clean them with a vacuum cleaner. Hold the pipe of the vacuum cleaner below the fan of the inverter (see Figure). If you are unable to clean the fan properly, contact your installer who will dismantle the fan in order to clean it.

# 5.2 Cleaning the Display

If the status LED's or the display unit are dirty and cannot be read clearly, clean them using a moist cloth.



#### Cleaning the status LED's and the display unit

Do not use any solvents, abrasives or corrosive substances for cleaning.

## 5.3 Checking the SMA DC Disconnect

When used appropriatly the SMA DC Disconnect does not need maintenance.

It is recommended, though not compulsory to:

- Check the SMA DC Disconnect regularly.
- Operate the SMA DC Disconnect once a year 10 times.

Operating the switch will clean the contacts of the SMA DC Disconnect.









# 6 FCC Compliance Information

# SMA PV inverter, model Sunny Boy 2000HF-US, Sunny Boy 2500HF-US, Sunny Boy 3000HF-US

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following conditions:

(1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and

(2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

**NOTE:** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.
- The user is cautioned that changes or modifications not expressly approved by SMA America, LLC could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

Contact SMA America for more information.

#### **RF-exposure Statement**

The SMA Sunny Boy 2000HF-US, Sunny Boy 2500HF-US, Sunny Boy 3000HF-US contains a modular transmitter. Thus it must have a separation of at least 8 in. (20 cm) between the antenna and the body of the user or nearby persons, excluding hands, wrists, feet, and ankles.

# 7 Contact

If you have technical problems with our products, please contact our Serviceline. We require the following information in order to provide you with the necessary assistance:

- Inverter type
- Serial number of the Sunny Boy
- Type and number of modules connected
- Event number or display message of the Sunny Boy
- Type of communication, if applicable
- Type of fault signaling contact connected, if applicable

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