



1 Introduction

1.1 Short description

Conergy PM modules are solar modules for installation in photovoltaic systems.

1.2 About this manual

1.2.1 Subject of this manual

The subject of this manual is the installation and electrical connection of the Conergy PM module in a photovoltaic system. This manual applies to the following modules: Conergy PM 225P-250P.

1.2.2 User group

The manual is intended to be used by the system owner and by qualified persons possessing technical skills and basic electrical, electronic and mechanical knowledge related to photovoltaic systems. Please retain this manual for future reference.

1.2.3 Symbols



Start of a step-by-step procedure with description of the goal of the procedure. Individually numbered steps follow, which may be interrupted by background information, illustrations, or warnings.



Background and additional information or the status of a procedure. Appears between the steps of a procedure, within the sequence/ course of a procedure.



Denotes a hazardous situation. Disregard of this instruction may lead to slight or moderate injury.



Denotes an extraordinarily hazardous situation. Disregard of this instruction may lead to serious, irreversible injury or death.

1.3 Standards and technical directives

Conergy PM modules comply with the following standard: | UL 1703

1.4 Intended use

Conergy PM modules are designed for use in photovoltaic systems. Any other use is deemed to be not as intended. Intended use also includes compliance with the specifications stated in this installation manual. Conergy shall not be held liable for damages arising from a failure to observe and follow the installation manual, particularly the safety instructions, or from any improper use of the product.

2 Safety

2.1 Responsibilities of the owner/operator

Installing solar photovoltaic systems may require specialized skills and knowledge. The system operator has safetyrelated responsibilities, and must ensure that:

Locally applicable standards and directives are complied with;

The installation is performed by qualified persons;

Those commissioned to perform the work can evaluate their assigned tasks and recognize possible risks;

Those commissioned to perform the work are familiar with the system components;

The installation manual is available during the installation;

The installation manual is an integral part of the product;

- | The installation manual, and in particular the safety instructions, have been read and understood by the relevant personnel before installation;
- Suitable lifting gear and tools are used for the installation;
- If replacements are required, only conergy components are used and repairs are carried out only by qualified persons, otherwise the warranty will expire;
- Only components (cable, plugs, mounting parts, etc.) That are suitable for use in photovoltaic systems are used; | the module is not installed near highly flammable gases or vapors because sparks could be generated; | sunlight is not artificially concentrated on the solar module;
- No paint, coatings or stickers are applied to the module;
- The module is not dismantled and none of the parts provided on delivery are removed.

2.2 Basic safety instructions

The following safety instructions and warnings form an essential part of this manual and are of fundamental importance when handling this product.

- Solar modules produce electrical energy when exposed to light. Even a single module produces enough voltage and current to cause shocks and burns if safety precautions are not followed. The shock hazard increases as modules are connected in series (producing higher voltages), and in parallel (producing higher current).
- Make allowance for the loads that the Conergy PM modules may generate for the entire structure. The modules have been evaluated by UL for a maximum positive or negative design loading of 50lbs/ft².
- In order to prevent damage (e.g. breakage of glass), never leave Conergy PM modules unsecured.
- Check Conergy PM modules for mechanical integrity before installation. Use only undamaged modules.
- Use only mounting systems that can withstand the expected loads for snow, wind, etc. The modules have been evaluated by UL for mounting using the 4 provided mounting holes in the frame.
- Make sure that no other system components will impair the mechanical or electrical function of the Conergy PM modules.
- Do not drill holes in the module frame or in the glass surface and do not carry out any welding work on or near the Conergy PM modules.
- Comply with the applicable occupational health and safety regulations.
- Wear suitable clothing and gloves and remove metallic jewelry to prevent accidental contact with energized components.
- The presence of a second party who can provide help in the event of an accident is recommended during the entire installation process.
- | Ensure a copy of this installation manual is provided to the system owner.

3 Installation

3.1 General installation instructions

- Make sure that all locally applicable standards, construction regulations and accident prevention regulations are complied with.
- The module must be installed in accordance with National Electrical Code (NEC) in the US and in accordance with Canadian Electrical Code Part I (CEC) in Canada.
- We recommend the Conergy SunTop mounting system for installations on sloping roofs. The recommended stand-off height is 115mm.
- Select an installation location with the maximum sunlight at all times of the year. Avoid shaded areas.
- In northern latitudes, orient the photovoltaic modules to the south. Determine the ideal setting angle according to the latitude of the installation location. Request this information from your dealer or find it in the official tables.
- You can find further installation instructions in the installation manual for the relevant mounting system.
- The photovoltaic modules are bolted or clamped in place depending on the design of the mounting system. The mounting structure must be made from material that is resistant to corrosion and atmospheric conditions and able to withstand the loads required.





3.2 Securing the photovoltaic modules to the frame

Prevent damage to the photovoltaic modules due to incorrect installation.

- Work only in dry conditions.
- Secure the modules against slipping and falling.
- Do not drop the modules.
- Do not hold the module by its socket or connection cables.
- Always carry modules that are to be lifted by two opposite points on the frame.
- Never carry modules by just one part of the frame.
- Do not drop any objects on the module and do not step on it.
- Do not drill the module frame.

3.2.1 Bolting the photovoltaic module in place

- 1. Place the module on the frame.
 - 2. Insert four stainless-steel bolts (M8) through the holes (10mm) in the frame.
 - Mounting locations are indicated by red arrows in drawing on the next page.



- 3. Secure each bolt to the frame with 2 stainless-steel washers, a stainless-steel spring washer or toothed lock washer and a stainless steel nut (M8).
- 4. To tighten, a torque wrench is recommended to produce a tightening torque of $15 \sim 20 Nm$

3.2.2 Clamping the photovoltaic module in place

The module may be clamped only in the permitted clamping areas on the long side of the frame, never on the short side of the frame. The module clamps [1] (see Figure 3-3) must not overlap the glass or shade the module surface [2] and must be a minimum of 40mm or 1-1/2" wide (contact surface on the frame in a longitudinal direction).

Fig. 3-3: Securing the module with clamps





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1. Place the module on the mounting rail.

2. Clamp the module in place with the module clamp (1) (recommended tightening torque: 5.5Nm [4.1lbs/ft]). 3.3 Electrical installation

3.3.1 Electrical values

All relevant electrical values are specified on the label on the back side of the module. Please find an overview of the technical data in section 7 of this manual.

- Under normal conditions, a photovoltaic module is likely to experience conditions that produce more current and/or voltage than reported at standard test conditions. Therefore the values of Isc and Voc should be adjusted based on conditions of use when determining component voltage ratings, conductor ampacities, fuse sizes and ratings of components connected to the module output.
- Refer to Section 690-7 and 680-8 of the National Electric Code (NEC) for voltage and/or current adjustment factors which may apply.

3.3.2 General safety instructions

Carry out the cabling in accordance with applicable Regulations, codes and standards.

Make sure that the cables and connections are not damaged. Protect the cables from damage.



Risk of electric shock. Risk of fire and injury from electric arc.

- Do not disconnect connections under load.
- Make sure there is adequate protection against contact with live conductors.
- Use only insulated tools.

3.3.3 Parallel and series connection

Modules of the same type can be connected in parallel or in series. Modules or series strings of modules connected in parallel may require overcurrent protection in each series string. The maximum series fuse ratings for Conergy PM modules are as follows:

| PM 225P-250P: 15A



Material damage due to connection errors.

Use only modules of the same type and output for series connection.

- Make sure that the number of modules and their connections correspond with the electrical values specified by the devices connected to the photovoltaic system.
- | Use only 90°C wet-rated, sunlight resistant, stranded or solid conductor cables for all module and interconnect wiring that may be exposed to weather.
- A Make sure that the polarity is correct.



3.3.4 Connecting the photovoltaic module

On the rear of the photovoltaic module, there is a connection box with connection cables, plugs and sockets.

- 1. Connect the plug of one module with the socket on the next module.
- 2. Connect the plug and socket of the first and last modules within a module series string to the conductor cables leading to the inverter.

An optional locking clip is available to prevent disconnection of the plug and socket connection by unqualified persons.

3.3.5 GROUNDING

Equipment grounding requirements must be checked in accordance with applicable regulations and standards before work is started. The module frame or array must be grounded to avoid the hazards of electric shock or fire. The position of possible grounding connections can be found in Fig. 3-1. An equipment grounding conductor can be fixed to the holes in the frame (2 hole locations, each with a 4mm diameter). A #12 AWG copper ground wire or equivalent should be used.



Observe all applicable regulations. Follow the steps below for a correct grounding connection.

- 1. The copper wire with M4 cupped washer should be placed through the bolt;
- 2. Put the cut washer through the bolt , and the bolt must be put through the hole fixed in the aluminum frame;
- 3. Use the nut and cut washer to fix all the parts. The copper wire can not be attached to the aluminum.
- 4. Use a tightening torque around 20 to 25 in.lbs.

4 Maintenance and care

Conergy PM modules are low-maintenance. However, Conergy recommends that you carry out a visual inspection and a check of the mechanical and electrical connections for damage every six months. Dirt on the modules reduces the output and the yield. If the photovoltaic modules are installed with an inclination angle of more than 15°, they will generally be adequately cleaned by rain.



Prevent damage to the module surface by scratching or extreme differences in temperature.

Use only PM neutral liquid cleaners, even if there is excessive dirt build-up.

Do not use abrasive cleaning agents.

Ensure cleaning solutions are at roughly the same temperature as the module surface.

Wipe the module surface with water and a soft cloth.

5 Removal



Risk of electric shock.

Do not touch any bare electrical connection parts.

- Use only insulated tools.
- 1. Disconnect the inverter from the utility power on the AC side so that the photovoltaic system has no load.
- 2. Disconnect the photovoltaic system from the inverter at the cut-off point on the DC side.
- 3. Make sure that the system is not supplied with voltage.
- 4. Remove the photovoltaic system in the same way as it was installed; observe the safety instructions.

6 Disposal

Please ask your installer, dealer or Conergy, Inc. about disposal.

7 Technical data

Conergy PM 225P-245P

Maximum Power (Pmax)	Open Circuit Voltage (Voc)	Short Circuit Current (Isc)	Maximum Power Voltage (V _{mpp})	Maximum Power Current (Impp)
225Wp	36.79 V	8.46A	28.91 v	7.91 a
230Wp	37.01 V	8.49A	29.23 V	7.94 a
235Wp	37.21 V	8.55A	29.44 v	8.02 a
240Wp	37.42 V	8.62A	29.65 v	8.10 a
245Wp	37.63 V	8.68A	29.87 v	8.18 a

The electrical characteristics are within +/-10 percent of the indicated values of Isc, Voc and Pmax under standard test conditions (irradiance of100mW/cm2, AM 1.5 spectrum, and a cell temperature of 25°C (77°F).

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