

# **AC Inverter**<sup>TM</sup>

## **175 WATT**

**DC to AC Power Inverter**



***User's Manual***

# Slim Line 175 Watt Power Inverter by Wagan Tech

USER'S MANUAL — Please read before using this equipment.

Your 175 Watt Power Inverter converts 12-volt vehicle battery power into 115 volts of AC power. You can use the inverter in your vehicle to operate many types of appliances that use AC power such as TVs, VCRs, portable computers, power tools, and lights for emergency or camping use.

The inverter works with your vehicle's engine turned on or off (accessory mode). It provides a continuous output of up to 175 watts.

## BASIC OPERATION

- Use the right operating voltage for both input and output of the inverter.
- Powering the inverter by connecting the cigarette lighter plug into the vehicle's cigarette lighter socket.



- Insert the plug of your appliances into AC socket at the front of the inverter.
- Turn ON the power switch that is located at the front of the inverter, and the green LED light will light as indicator that the unit is at work.

## CAUTION:

- DO NOT USE THE INVERTER IN A POSITIVELY GROUNDED VEHICLE.

## RECOMMENDATION

- If the power inverter makes a beeping sound, turn OFF the power inverter and disconnect all appliances from inverter and disconnect the inverter from power supply. The beeping sound is simply the low battery warning, which indicates that the voltage of the battery power supply is getting low. Please restart the vehicle engine before operating the power inverter.
- When you are not using the inverter, turn the power switch to OFF and disconnect the inverter from power supply.
- Disconnect the inverter when starting the vehicle's engine.



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## BATTERY USE

- To avoid over-discharging your vehicle's battery, you should run your engine for 10-20 minutes to recharge the vehicle's battery after 2-3 hours of operating the inverter.
- If you choose to connect the inverter directly to your battery terminals, it is important to connect with right polarity (connect  $\oplus$  from inverter to  $\oplus$  of battery terminal and connect  $\ominus$  from inverter to  $\ominus$  of battery terminal)

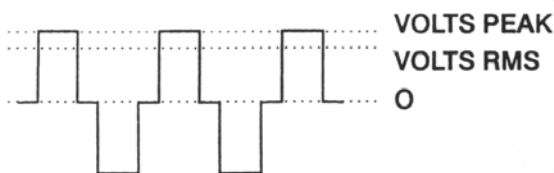
### CAUTION:

THE FOLLOWINGS OPERATION WILL DAMAGE AND VOID THE WARRANTY OF THE INVERTER:

- REVERSE POLARITY BY CONNECTING THE WIRES TO THE INCORRECT TERMINALS.
- CONNECTING THE BATTERY CHARGER TO REPLENISH BATTERY WITHOUT DISCONNECTING THE INVERTER FIRST.
- CONNECTING THE INVERTER TO POWER SOURCE GREATER THAN 15-VOLT DC.
- OPERATING THE INVERTER AND BATTERY IN OR AROUND WATER.

## MEASURING THE AC VOLTAGE

The output waveform of the AC inverter is a MODIFIED SINEWAVE. To measure the AC output voltage, you must use a TRUE RMS VOLTMETER.



## SAFETY PRECAUTION

Do not open the case of the inverter. The high voltage inside the unit is the same type of power as your electrical outlets at home.

Do not let the cord of the inverter or any appliance's cord get wet.

Do not operate the inverter in or around water. The voltage of the unit makes electrical shock hazard if operated in wet conditions.

Do not connect the AC inverter directly to another AC power source.

Keep it away from children, the inverter produces power just like your AC wall outlets at home and should be treated seriously.

Allow at least 1 inch of clearance around the inverter for airflow.

If you operate the inverter in a moving vehicle, you need to secure the inverter to prevent it from shifting around while the vehicle is moving.

If there is anything wrong with the inverter, disconnect all of the power.



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## TROUBLESHOOTING

Condition	Solution
Poor contact	Clean contact parts thoroughly
Battery voltage is too low	Start the engine to recharge the battery. Replace the battery if needed.
Shutdown on overload	Reduce the wattage of inverter's load
Thermal shutdown	Allow the inverter to cool down by reducing the load or turn it off for a while.
Receptacle has no power	Check the receptacle wiring.

## MAINTENANCE

Very little maintenance is required to keep the inverter operating properly.

## DESCRIPTION

**500W Peak Power** — allow you to power appliances that require a large amount of initial (peak) power to work (such as many TVs and motor-power equipments).

**Low Battery Alarm** — the inverter sounds an audible alarm then turns itself off if the source battery becomes too low.

**Auto Shutdown/Reset Protection** — the inverter temporarily shuts itself down to protect itself from overheating.

**Overload/Short Circuit Protection** — the inverter automatically turns itself off if the connected load is too high or if it shorts.

**Fuse** — the inverter comes with fuse/s already installed and easily changed if it is damaged.

**Dual AC Outlets** — allows you to power up to two appliances at the same time.

## HEAT DISPERSAL

The inverter generates heat while it is working. This is not a malfunction. However, if the inverter gets too hot while working, it will turn off by itself. Position the inverter where air flows freely around it to allow the heat to disperse. The inverter's thermal protection prevents it from operating when its temperature exceeds  $130 \pm 10$  °F /  $55 \pm 5$  °C

## SPECIFICATION

Name	Description
Input	12V (10-15V) DC
Output	115V AC
Output frequency	60 Hz
Output waveform	Modified Sine Waveform
Continuous power	175 Watt
Surge power	500 Watt
Efficiency	Approx. 90 %
No load current	< 0.2 A
Battery low alarm	$10.5 \pm 0.5$ V DC
Battery low shutdown	$10 \pm 0.5$ V DC
Alarm and thermal shutdown	$130 \pm 10$ °F / $55 \pm 5$ °C
DC fuse	15 A
AC output socket	2 outlets of 3-prong
Power switch	DC input ON/OFF control
Dimensions	5x4.5x2 in
Net Weight	1 lb

## NOTE

All specifications are typical at nominal line, half load, and 25 °C unless otherwise noted. Specification subject to change without notice.



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- Please activate my limited warranty for WAGAN Corp.175 Watt AC to DC Power Inverter
- Enclosed copy of original sales receipt.

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State, Zip Code			
Item Purchased	175 Watt AC to DC Power Inverter		
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Date of Purchase			
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