

PV210

Solar PV tester and I-V curve tracer

The PV210 provides a highly efficient and effective test and diagnostic solution for PV systems, carrying out all commissioning tests required by IEC 62446 and performing fast and accurate measurement of I-V curves in accordance with IEC 61829. When used in conjunction with the Solar Survey 200R irradiance meter, the PV210 measurement data can be converted to STC, using either the PVMobile app or SolarCert Elements software, allowing direct comparison with the PV module manufacturer's published data.

With direct connection to individual PV modules or strings using the supplied lead sets, tests can be conducted easily and within a matter of seconds at the press of a single button.

A high contrast display is clearly visible in direct sunlight and shows open circuit voltage, short circuit current, maximum power point voltage, current and power, as well as the fill factor of the PV module or system under test, and insulation resistance (as part of an auto sequence or a discrete probe to probe measurement). If the measured curve deviates from the expected profile, the PV210 alerts the user to this, identifying the need for further analysis.

Detailed and color I-V and power curves, can be viewed instantly once data is transferred to the PVMobile Android app using wireless NFC connectivity. PVMobile displays measured I-V and power curves for visual analysis of the curve shape, enabling common problems such as shading, defective cells or poor electrical connections to be identified.



Key Features

- Lightweight, handheld and fast
- Affordable and efficient PV diagnostic tool
- Easy and fast push button operation
- All-in-one commissioning tests and I-V curve tracing, in accordance with international standards IEC 62446 and IEC 61829
- Instantly view detailed I-V curves in the field using the PVMobile Android app
- Convert I-V curve measurements to STC using the PVMobile app or SolarCert Elements software
- Instantly send PDF reports from the field back to the office using the PVMobile Android app
- Tests individual PV modules or strings
- Clear results display, even in direct sunlight
- Wirelessly receives irradiance and temperature measurements from Solar Survey 200R
- Full traceability of system performance
- Compatible with SolarCert Elements v2 software

Electrical/Analysis Test Functions

- I-V curve tracing, in accordance with IEC 61829
- Earth/ground continuity
- Insulation resistance (auto short circuit test and point-to-point)
- AC/DC voltage measurement
- Open circuit voltage up to 1000VDC
- Maximum power point voltage up to 1000VDC
- Short circuit current up to 15ADC
- Maximum power point current up to 15ADC
- Automatic fill factor calculation
- Operating current (using supplied current clamp) up to 40A
- DC power up to 40kW

PV210 Users

- PV system installers
- PV O&M technicians
- PV module manufacturers

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Instantly view detailed I-V and power curves in the field using the Android PVMobile app

Simply touch an NFC-enabled Android device running the PVMobile app to your PV210. Detailed I-V characteristic measurements are transferred, allowing the I-V and power curve to be viewed in full color detail. PVMobile also enables I-V curve correction for standard test conditions (STC 1000 W/m2, 25°C) using irradiance and temperature data from the Survey 200R irradiance meter, to allow comparison with manufacturer's curve data, included in the comprehensive PVMobile database.



Find out more about the PVMobile Android app www.seaward-groupusa.com/PVMobile





■ With the PVMobile Android app you can:

- View I-V and power curves in full color and high definition detail
- Pinch and zoom to observe deviations from a normal curve, and to see
 Mpp region in more detail
- Select points on the curve to read actual voltage and current
- Convert I-V curve measurements to STC
- Transfer PDF reports back to the office from a remote location
- View I-V curves and measurement data clearly, even in direct sunlight
- Avoid the need to take a laptop on-site
- Transfer measurement data to the PVMobile app instantly by touching your NFC-enabled Android device against the PV210

► Lightweight, handheld and fast

Extremely portable, lightweight and battery powered, the PV210 is easy to move around when testing several strings in a system. Commissioning tests, irradiance, temperature and I-V characteristics can all be recorded at the press of a button.*



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► Cost effective and efficient PV diagnostic tool

Comprehensive measurement features with easy-to-use one button testing provides the ideal solution for periodic testing, performance analysis and fault diagnosis.

► All-in-one commissioning tests and I-V curve tracing

Easily carry out all performance, safety and diagnostic checks on PV systems using the same fast and simple test instrument.





► Easy and fast push button operation

The PV210 offers an extremely fast testing solution, carrying out all electrical tests in a matter of seconds, for straightforward and hassle free testing of even the largest of PV systems.

► Tests individual PV modules or strings

Directly connect the PV210 to an individual module or a full string, and choose whether to carry out a full auto sequence test or an individual test, depending on your requirements.







► Clear results display, even in direct sunlight

The PV210 display screen is clearly visible even in direct sunlight, ensuring you are able to complete the testing process in the fastest time possible, and view measurements at a glance.

Wirelessly receive irradiance and temperature measurements from Solar Survey 200R

Using Seaward Solarlink[™] connectivity, the PV210 can wirelessly capture and record real-time irradiance, ambient temperature and PV module temperature measurements from the Survey 200R multifunction irradiance meter (available as part of the Solarlink[™] Test Kit). This means that all measurements can be recorded simultaneously, as required by the IEC 62446 and IEC 61829 standards.





► Full traceability of system performance

The PV210 has a large onboard memory which stores up to 999 sets of PV test and diagnostic data, ensuring large systems can be tested continuously, and enabling test data to be downloaded to a PC, in CSV format, for full traceability.

► Compatible with SolarCert Elements v2 software

When used with the optional SolarCert Elements v2 software program, test and measurement data can be stored alongside other system information to produce comprehensive records. Measured data can be converted to STC for comparison with manufacturer's data held in the comprehensive database. In addition, professional inspection and test reports can be prepared, including IEC 62446 measurements and IEC 61829 I-V curve plots.





What's in the box? Part Number PV210 is supplied, as standard, with: ■ PV210 PV tester and I-V curve tracer AC/DC current clamp 2 x MC4 test lead (red & black) ■ 2 x 1.5m 4mm test leads/probes + alligator clips ■ Type A to mini B USB cable 389A912 ■ 6 x alkaline battery (AA) 1.5V Quick Start Guide Rugged carry bag ■ PV210 Calibration Certificate Download link for entry level PC datalogger software, operating instructions, USB driver for download to PC and SolarCert Elements v2 software demo A PV210 Solarlink™ Test Kit is also available: ■ PV210 PV tester and I-V curve tracer Survey 200R multi-function irradiance meter with suction mount PV module temperature sensor AC/DC current clamp ■ 2 x MC4 test lead (red & black) 2 x 1.5m 4mm test leads/probes + alligator clips Type A to mini B USB cable 389A912K ■ 6 x alkaline battery (AA) 1.5V Quick Start Guide ■ Rugged carry bag ■ PV210 Calibration Certificate Download link for entry level PC datalogger software, operating instructions, USB driver for download to PC and SolarCert Elements v2 software demo **Optional Accessories** Survey 200R irradiance meter with Suction mount PV module SolarCert Elements test reporting MC4 to test probe test leads suction mount PV module temperature temperature sensor for Solar & certification v2 software (red & black) (388A953) Survey 200R (396A980) sensor (915MHz) (396A916)* (389A950) SOLARCERT Solar Survey mounting bracket Fused test leads - 1 pair of fused (396A979) red and black test probes and alligator clips (44B075)



MC3 test lead adaptors (396A958)

PV inspection report pad (396A954)



PV array report pad (396A955)

Solar power clamp (396A961)



labels (396A952 / 396A953)

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SolarTag PV installation / DC warning



Pack of 3 PV test reports and PV verification certificate pad

Sunclix test lead adaptors

(396A960)





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Technical Specifications

Ground continuity / resistance measurement

Display range 0.00Ω to 199Ω Measurement range 0.01Ω to 199Ω Accuracy2% + 5 digitsResolution 0.01Ω maximumOpen circuit test voltage4VDC, nominal

Test leads zero Zero up to 10Ω , by Zero button

Number of measurements 5,000 1 second tests Audible / visible warning ≥ 30VAC/DC at inputs

User protection Test inhibited if ≥ 30VAC/DC at inputs

Insulation resistance (auto short circuit test)

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Display range} & 0.1\mbox{M}\Omega \mbox{ to } 20\mbox{M}\Omega \\ \mbox{Measurement range} & 0.1\mbox{M}\Omega \mbox{ to } 20\mbox{M}\Omega \\ \mbox{Accuracy} & 5\% + 5 \mbox{ digits} \\ \mbox{Resolution} & 0.1\mbox{M}\Omega \mbox{ maximum} \\ \mbox{Open circuit test voltage} & 250, 500, 1000V \\ \mbox{ (as per IEC 61557-2)} \end{array}$

Test current 1mA nominal as per IEC 61557-2

Short circuit test current <2mA

Number of measurements 5,000 1 second tests Audible / visible warning ≥ 30VAC/DC at inputs

User protection Test inhibited if ≥ 30VAC/DC at inputs

Insulation resistance (point to point)

 Display range
 0.05MΩ to 300MΩ

 Measurement range
 0.05MΩ to 300MΩ

 Accuracy
 5% + 5 digits

 Resolution
 0.01MΩ maximum

 Open circuit test voltage
 250, 500, 1000V

 (as per IEC 61557-2)

Short circuit test current <1mA

Number of measurements 5,000 1 second tests Audible / visible warning ≥ 30VAC/DC at inputs

Circuitry protection Test inhibited if ≥ 30VAC/DC at inputs

Voltage measurement (via 4mm probes)

Display range 30V – 440VAC/DC Measurement range 30V – 440VAC/DC

Resolution 1V Accuracy $\pm (5\%+2d)$

Vo/c voltage measurement (via PV test leads)

Display range 0.0V – 1000VDC
Measurement range 5.0V – 1000VDC
Resolution 0.1V

Resolution 0.1V Accuracy ±(0.5%+2d)

Enunciators DC voltage polarity correct or reversed

Is/c current measurement (via PV test leads)

Display range 0.0A – 15.0ADC

Measurement range 0.5A – 15.0ADC

Resolution 0.1A

Accuracy $\pm (1\%+2d)$

Operating current (via DC current clamp)

Display range 0.0A - 40.0A AC/DC Measurement range 0.1A - 40.0A AC/DC

Resolution 0.1A

Accuracy $\pm (5\% + 2 \text{ digits})$

DC power

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Display range} & 0.0\mbox{W} - 40.0\mbox{kW} \\ \mbox{Measurement range} & 10\mbox{W} - 40.0\mbox{kW} \\ \mbox{Resolution} & 10\mbox{W max} \\ \mbox{Accuracy} & \pm (6\% + 2\mbox{ digits}) \end{array}$

I-V curve

Voltage measurement range 5.0V – 1000V Voltage measurement accuracy ±(0.5%+2d) Current measurement range 0.5A – 15.0A

Current measurement accuracy 1%
Power measurement range 5W – 15kW

Power measurement accuracy 2%

General Specifications

Case dimensions and weight

Weight 2.3lb (unit)
Dimensions 10.4 x 4.2 x 2.3"

Display Custom LCD with backlight

Power source 6 x 1.5V AA cells

Battery life >1000 test sequences

Auto power down User programmable

Onboard memory Up to 999 complete test datasets

Connectivity

USB download to PC (CSV format)

Wireless 'Solarlink' to Survey 200R (915MHz) (range c. 30m / 100ft)

NFC transfer of data to PVMobile Android app

iOS devices not supported

App compatibility

Compatible with Android version 4.2 (Jelly Bean) or later

iOS devices not supported

Software compatibility

Compatible with SolarCert Elements v2 software or later

(English language only)

Services

2 year warranty (subject to terms and conditions, register your product at www.seaward-groupusa.com/register-product)

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