

NSULATED WRENCH



**BATTERY CHARGER** 







### BATTERY CONNECTION<sup>†</sup>

- If using washers to connect the wire connections, ensure the connection is in direct contact with the lead surface of the terminal.
- Ensure the washer is placed on top of the wire connection (between the connection and the nut).
- Do not place the washer between the terminal and the connection as this creates high resistance and can cause terminal meltdown.



THardware not supplied by Trojan

# **TORQUE VALUES**

- Tighten all cable connections to the specified values\*, ensuring proper contact with the terminals. Over-tightening can result in terminal breakage and loose connections, which may result in meltdown or fire.
- \*Consult comprehensive User's Guide on www.trojanbattery.com/ literature/#usersquide for detailed information.

#### TERMINAL PROTECTION

 Keep terminals clean and dry to avoid corrosion. Terminal protector spray is recommended.

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- Over 200 Years of combined engineering expertise
- Full range of advanced Deep-Cycle Flooded, **AGM** and Gel batteries
- Quality components for reliability and performance
- Industry-Leading Return on Investment and **Low Cost of Ownership**
- Outstanding technical and customer service
- Made in USA since 1925
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# **GEL BATTERY**

**QUICK START USER'S GUIDE** 

**Battery Installation & Maintenance** 



# **BATTERY INSTALLATION**

MAINTENANCE and INSTALLATION EQUIPMENT NEEDED



**GOGGLES** 



PROTECTIVE CLOTHING



**DISTILLED OR TREATED WATER** 

### SAFETY

- Always wear protective clothing, gloves and goggles.
- Do not smoke near batteries.



• Keep sparks, flames and metal objects away from batteries.



- Use insulated tools when making battery connections.
- Electrolyte is a solution of acid and water, so avoid skin contact. If acid contacts skin or eyes, flush with water immediately and contact a medical professional.
- Ensure the cable connections to the terminals are properly tightened.
- Do not lay objects on top of battery.
- Always charge and handle batteries in a well-ventilated area.
- Never add acid to a battery.



Never remove or alter gel vent caps.

# **BATTERY ORIENTATION**

 Unlike flooded batteries, gel batteries may be placed and installed upright or on their sides.



### **PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE**

Follow these tips to ensure the life of your Trojan Gel Battery

# INSPECTION

#### Inspect battery at regular intervals. The tops of the batteries and terminal connections should be clean, dry, and free of dirt or corrosion.

# WATERING

- Gel batteries, sometimes referred to as sealed batteries, do not have free flowing electrolyte or removable vents and lose very little water during charging. Because of their construction, gel batteries are considered non-spillable and maintenance free since no watering is required.
- WARNING: Water should NEVER be added to deep-cycle gel batteries.

# **CLEANING**

- Clean the top of the battery, terminals and connections with a cloth or brush and a sodium bicarbonate solution (1 cup of baking soda to 1 gallon of water (150g/1L)).
- Rinse with water and dry with a clean cloth.
- Keep the area around batteries clean and dry.

### **CHARGING**

- Proper charging will maximize battery performance.
- Both under and over-charging can reduce the life of the battery.
- Do not discharge your battery more than 80% to prevent overdischarging and damaging the battery's internal components.
- Avoid charging at temperatures above 122°F (50°C).

# **EQUALIZING (flooded batteries only)**

- Gel batteries do not have free flowing electrolyte and therefore do not experience stratification. As a result, gel batteries do not require equalizing.
- WARNING: Do not equalize deep-cycle gel batteries.

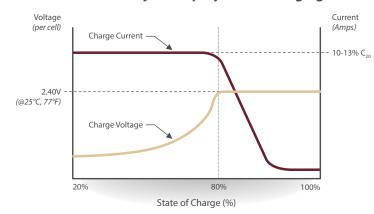
#### **STORAGE**

- Fully charge batteries before placing in storage.
- Store in a cool, dry location, protected from the elements.
- Batteries self-discharge during storage. Monitor the voltage every 4-6 weeks.
- In high temperatures (greater than 90°F or 32°C) monitor the voltage every 2-4 weeks as batteries will self-discharge faster.
- Stored batteries should be given a boost charge when they are at or less than 70% State of Charge (SOC).
- After storage, recharge before use.

# **Charge Voltage Settings**

Deep-Cycle Gel Batteries - Charger Voltage Settings**			
System Voltage	12 Volt	24 Volt	48 Volt
Bulk Charge	14.4	28.8	57.6
(2.40 VPC)			
Float Charge	13.5	27	54
(if desired 2.25 VPC)			

#### **Recommended Trojan Deep-Cycle Gel Charging Profile**



Note: Charging time will vary depending on battery size, charger output, and depth of discharge.

#### **TECHNICAL SUPPORT**

**Call Trojan Battery Technical Support:** 

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On the web:

http://www.trojanbattery.com/tech-support/

#### Gel State of Charge as a Measure of Open-Circuit Voltage Specific Percentage Cell 24 Volt 48 Volt 6 Volt 12 Volt Charge Gravity 100 NA 2.14 6.42 12.84 25.68 51.36 75 NA 2.11 6.33 12.66 25.32 50.64 50 NA 2.06 6.18 12.36 24.72 49.44 25 NA 2.00 6.00 12.00 24.00 48.00 23.64 NA 1.97 5.91 11.82 47.28

