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#### 7.Safety message

Although the charger is designed to work in a stable environment to play a role, but in use, you still need careful maintenance, as long as these important tips to follow, that is easy and effective use of your charger!

- 1) When you start the process, especially the discharge process, the unit will become warm, please keep clear of the heat area and do not cover it by anything when using
- 2) Do not keep it in a environment below 5  $^{\circ}$ C or above 50  $^{\circ}$ C
- 3) Use it carefully, do not use it in a wet or corrosive environment
- 4) Keep all the inflammable volatile materials well away from operating area.
- 5) Please don't let the charger get hurt through falling ,bumping, stiking, shaking, heavy press and so on.
- 6) Do not attempt the voltage higher than the requirement by manufactures
- Ensure the type of battery and the voltage of the battery pack is selected correctly.Do
  not use the different types or different capacities synchronously.
- 8) The standard accessories can only support one battery pack. When you are willing to use multi- packs, please separately purchase the special accessories, never do a disassembly or alteration to the charger
- Do not attempt to charge/discharge the non-recharged batteryor damaged battery.
- 10) Keep the charger away from children and pet at all time! Never leave the charger unsupervised when it is connected to its power supply.

#### 8.After-sale service and guarantee

Thank you for purchasing this balance charger, we will do our best to provide you with a comprehensive after-sale service and protect your rights and interests. Since you purchase the unit, you can enjoy the lifelong guarantee service.

We warrant this product for a period of one year from the date of purchase, if it has a quality problem itself, all guarantee will be free; In case customers can not provide an effective certificate of purchase, we will refer the date of machine' s internal.

If it is over one year since the purchase date, an appropriate cost will be charged, users need to bear the transportation cost back and forth.

User disassembly, alteration, or damage caused by improper use, they should bear the maintenance and transport costs.

#### After-sale procedure:

When you can not use the product normally, please contact the local franchiser or the after-sale service person. after products have been confirmed damaged or unable to confirm the causes, you can sent it to the company directly or through the franchiser.

We will normally epair completed and sent it to customers within five working days after receivei t.

#### 1. Special features:

- 1.1 This charger employs an advanced charging calculation and design which allow multilayer error to be compatible. It can create a safe charging condition and maximum reduce the danger caused by negligence or setting error of user
- 1.2 This item adopt prevalent Synchronous buck & boost converter technology ,this makes conversion efficiency up to 90%
- 1.3 Accept all types of R/C batteries:LiPo、LiIo、LiFe、NiMH、NiCd、Pb.
- 1.4 Simple and efficient user interface makes operation easy, with powerful function and abundant content. Real-time shows you the battery voltage.charge current. temperature of batteries, capacity of charge/discharge. elapsed time. input voltage etc., therefore, you can inquire the present state and establish various safety-limited parameters conveniently.
- 1.5 This charger employs an individual-cell-voltage balancer to maintain your pack in balance while charging/discharging.During the process,it can monitor and balance each cell of the pack individually (Tolerance:  $\pm 0.01V$ )
- 1.6 Accept individual battery charging/discharging, so you can extend the scope of application of the charger.that is equally useful for the DIY battery.
- 1.7 Various of charging mode to meet different demand: charging-auto /balance charging/fast charging/storage and cyclic charging etc.
- 1.8 For users convenience it can store and load maximum five data of different batteries. you can establish the data contains program setting of the battery to charge or discharge continually. these data can be called out at any time you need and the process can be executed without program setting.
- 1.9 Perform 1-5 cycles of charge>discharge or discharge>charge continually for NiMH / NiCd refreshing
- 1.10 You can connect a high-precision digital temperature sensor to protect the charger works in a safety temperature .once a battery reaches the maximum temperature you set during charge/ discharge, the process will be terminated to protect the battery. this is very important for NiMH / NiCd (separately purchased temperature sensor)

\* Separately purchased program kit(Ev-xxxA series)

#### 2. Performance parameter:

## 2.1 Input voltage range

		AC
2.2	Charge current range	0.1
2.3	Discharge current range	0.1
2.4	Charge power limited	max
2.5	Discharge power limited	max
2.6	Balance current	max
2.7	Balance tolerance	±0.
2.8	NiCd/NiMH battery cell count	1~
2.9	Lithium battery types	Li-p
2.10	) Lithium battery cell count	1-6
2.11	Pb battery voltage	2-2
2.12	2 Weight:	647
2.13	B Dimensions:	134

#### 100~240V $\sim$ 5.0A $\sim 1.0A$ x.50W x 5W x 300mA 01V 15cells oo. Li-ion.Li-Fe series νΩ 7q 4X 142 X 36 mm

DC11~18.0V

#### 3. Exterior and accessories



#### 4. Key features:

Mode : mode selection/stop/back button.Press this key to select in the main menu or back to the mainmenu.and to stop during the process.

Dec. / Inc. : reduce and increase button, you can browse other concerning informationsby this button during the charge/discharge process. When you are setting parameters , press Dec. key for reduce, and <sup>Inc.</sup> key for increase.

Enter : select/enter button,to start work by press it more than 2 seconds.

#### 6. Warning and error messages The output is connected to a battery with incorrect REVERSE POLARI TY polarity This will be displayed in case of detecting an interruption of the connection between battery and output or voluntarily CONNECTI ON BREAK disconnecting the charge lead during the operation of charge or discharge on output There was a short-circuit at output. please check the SHORT ERR charging leads. NPUT VOL ERR The voltage of input power drops below the limit. The voltage of Lithium battery pack was selected OL SELECT ERR incorrectly. Verify the voltage of battery pack carefully There happens the malfunction at the charger circuit REAK DOWN by any reason. The processor detects the voltage is lower than you BATTERY CHECK LOWVOLTAGE set at Lithium program.please check the cell count ⇒. of the battery pack. The processor detects the voltage is higher than you BATTERY CHECK set at Lithium program.please check the cell count HI GH VOLTAGE of the battery pack. The voltage of one of the cell in the Lithium battery pack BATTERY VOLTAG is too low.please check the voltage of the cell CELL LOWVOL one by one. The voltage of one of the cell in the Lithium battery pack BATTERY VOLTAGE → is too high.please check the voltage of the cell CELL HI GH VOL one by one. There are bad connection at the individual connector. BATTERY VOL ERR CELL CONNECT please check the connector and cables carefully The internal temperature of the unit goes too high. cool TEMP OVER ERR down the unit. The processor can not continue to control the feeding CONTROL FAILURE current by any reason. The unit needs to be repaired.

#### 5.5.1 charging Pb battery



As you can see on left, you can set up the charge current on the left the nominal of the second line and voltage of the battery on the right of the second line, the charge current ranges from 0.1-10.0Å and the voltage should be matched with the battery being charged.start the charge process by pressing Enter key for more than 2 seconds.

The screen displays the state of charging process, to stop charging forcibly,press Mode key once.

#### 5.5.2 discharging Pb battery



Set discharge current on the left and final voltage on the right, the discharge current ranges from 0.1-5.0A and the voltage should be matched with the battery being discharged.start the discharge process by pressing Enter key for more than Start 2 seconds.

The screen displays the current state of discharge.

#### 5.6 save data and load data program

This charger can store/load up to 10 data of batteries, you can call out the data for the process without setting up the program again.

#### 5.6.1 save data



Press  $\frac{Mode}{Esc}$  key to the screen on the left, then press  $\frac{Enter}{Start}$  key to enter into the submenu.

The blinking(@1)shows you the data NO, you can press  $\overset{Dec./Inc.}{\overset{}}$  key to change it. Press  $\overset{Dec./Inc.}{\overset{}}$  key can select the type of battery, voltage, capacity, and you can set them by pressing  $\overset{Enter}{\overset{}}$  Key, then press  $\overset{Enter}{\overset{}}$  key for more than 2 seconds to select the charge mode



Setting up charge/discharge current and final voltage.

To save the data, press Enter Start key for more than 2 seconds.

#### 5.6.2 load data



Press  $\frac{Mode}{Esc}$  key to the screen on the left, then press  $\frac{Enter}{Start}$  key to enter thes ubmenu.

You can press Dec. / Inc. key to select the data number when the (Ø1)field is blinking

Press Start key for more than 2 seconds, it will shows you the left screen, loading the data

### 5. Operating instructions.:

#### 5.1 main nenu



#### 5.2 Initial parameter set up



Tips: please set up correctly in the "user set" menu before into the job for the first time you use it

Press  $_{\text{Start}}^{\text{Enter}}$  key to the first screen on the left, then press  $_{\text{Esc}}^{\text{Mode}}$  key to enter the into parameter setting menu.

You can switched at the same level menu by  $\Pr(I, I, I, I)$  key. please refer the detailed flow chart on the left

When you are willing to alter the parameter value in the program, press  $_{Start}^{Enter}$  key to make tblink, then change the value with  $\overset{Dec./Inc.}{\bullet}$  key. the value will be stored by press  $_{Start}^{Enter}$  key once.

This charger can accept th ree types of Lithium batteries: LiPo/Lilo / LiFe ; you have to check the battery carefully and set it up corr ectly, or itwill cause a explode! (Please refer the table A)

This charger can recognise the cell count of Lithium battery automatically at the beginning of charge or discharge process to avoid from erroneous setting by user. But deeply discharged battery can be perceived incorrectly. To prevent the error, you can set the time term to verify the cell count by the processor. (see the screen (1)) Normally, 10 min utes are enough to perceive it correctly. For the battery of larger capacity, you may extend the time term.and for the battery of smaller capacity, you may reducethe term or use withthe default value

#### 5.4 NiMH/NiCd battery program



Press Ease key to the screen on the left, then press Start key to Start into the submenu. You can switched at the same level menu to select the mode by Dec./Inc. Key. please refer the etailed flow chart on the left. When you are willing to alter the parameter value in the program, press Enter key to make it blink, then change the value with Dec./Inc. Key. the value will be stored by pressing Enter for more than 2 seconds to start the process. Since the menu of NIMH are the same as NICd, there is an example of NIMH only.

"CHARGE" mode the default mode is "AUT". In "AUT"mode, you need to set the upper limit of charge current to avoid from higher feeding current that may damage the battery. Because some batteries of low impedance and small capacity can lead to the higher charge current by the processor at automatic charge mode. But in "Man" mode, it will charge the battery with the charge current you set at the display. Each mode can be switched by pressing start/enter key, when the current field is blinking, press Dec. / Inc. Key for more than 1 second.

"DISCHARGE "mode the discharge current ranges from 0.1A to 5.0A and the final voltage ranges from 0.1 to 25.0V. the operating method is similar as Lithium battery. The final voltage of NiMH battery is 1.0V/cell, and the NiCd is 0.85V/cell, please refer the recommend by the battery of manufacturer.

"CYCLE" mode this charger can perform 1-5 cycles of DCHG>CHGOTCHG>DCHG continually.You can select if for the new NI\* battery or the long-term placement NI\* battery. please set up carefully.or it will damage the battery! To set the parameter please follow the previous charge/discharge menu

#### 5.4.1 After check all the mode, to start the process press more than 2 seconds



The screen displays the present state of process. To stop it press. Mode key;Description:():the type of battery, (2):operating mode: CHG=charge, DSC=discharge, DCHG>CHGorCHG>DCHG=the cyclem ode; (3):elapsed time, (4):charge/discharge current of the battery, (5):voltage of the battery pack, (6):capacity of charge/discharge

You can inquire the temperature and  $\triangle V$  continua IIy by press  $\triangleleft^{Dec. / Inc.}_{\blacktriangleleft}$  key

#### 5.5 Pb battery program

This is programmed for charging Pb battery with nominal volta ge from 2 to 24V, Pb battery can not be charged rapidly.they can only deliver relatively lower current compare to their capacity.the optimal charge current will be 1/10 of the capacity.please always follow the instruction supplied by the manufacturer of battery. 5.3.2 According to press  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathfrak{q}}^{\text{Dec./Inc.}}$  key you can inquire the individual voltage of each batteries and final voltage etc. continually as follow (this need to connect the balance plug):

#### Inc.



You can check the individual voltages of each cell in the battery pack while using the individual connection cable to the battery.



(1) Shows the trigger voltage for automatic charge termination of NiMH and NiCd battery ( $\triangle V$ ), the effective value ranges from 5 to 20mV per cell. If  $\triangle V$  is set higer, there is a danger of overchargeing the battery; if it is set lower, there is a possibility of premature termination. please refer technical specification of the battery. (NiCd: 12mV, NiMH:7mV)

Tips: If the voltage of charging battery is lower than 2.5V,  $\triangle$ V may can not be perceived, this will cause a danger of discharge. You can connect a temperature sensor or use the charger current above 1C to avoid it.

There is a 3-pin port on the left side of the unit. It can be used as a temperature sensor port or USB port, If the port is assigned as a temp. port, you can use an optional temperature probe to contact the surface of battery(see the screen (3)) and you can set the maximum temperature at which the danger should allo w battery to reach during charge, once a battery reaches this value the process will be terminated to protect the battery. When it is selected as an USB port, you can connect the charger to your PC with an optional USB cable. this can utilize the optional software that can show you the charge process at PC. (see the screen (3))

When NiMH or NiCd battery is on the cyclic process of charge/discharge, it can often become warm. The program insert a time delay to occur after each charge and discharge process to allow the battery adequate time to cool down before being subjected to the next process. (see the screen (5)) the value ranges from 1 to 60 minutes. If you are not sure, you can set it over 10 minutes.

The charger will automatically supply the trickle function to achieve the full charge with out overheating the battery after fast charge has been teminated you can alter the trickle value when the charger shows you the screen 46

When you start a charge process, the integral safety timer automatically starts running at the same time this is programmed to prevent overcharge the battery if it proves to be faulty, or if the termination circuit cannot detect the battery full. Shows you this program can be on or off, and you can set the maximum safety time, the value ranges from 10 to 720min. As the same principle, there is a maximum-cap acity-limited function. See (18), the value ranges from 10 to 2000MAh.

At the screen  $A_{2}$  you can set the audible sounds to be on or off by this program.

When you use the car battery to supply power for charger, screen who shows you this program monitors the voltage of input DC battery. If the voltage drops below the value you set the operation forcibly terminated to protect the input battery.

You can adjust the brightness of LCD screen at the charger(see 📶)

#### chart A types Li-Po Li-10 Li-Fe NiMH NiCD Pb iterm Standard voltage 3 7 0 3 6 0 3 3 0 120 1 2 0 2.00 (V/cell) Max. Charge voltage cut off 4 2 0 4 10 3.60 1 60 1 60 2 4 5 level (V/cell) Allowable fast ≤1C <1C <4C <2C <2C <0.4C current Min.Discharge voltage cut off ≥3.00 >3.00 >2.00 ≥1 00 >0.85 ≥1.75 level (V/cell)

## Please refer the information below(chart A), and select the correct parameter for each battery, or it will cause a serious result!

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#### 5.3 Lithium batteries (Lilo/LiPo/LiFe) program



Press Mode Esc key to the screen on the left, then press Start key to enter into the parameter setting menu. You can switched at the same level menu by Dec. /Inc. key. Please refer the detailed flow chart on the left. When you are willing to alter the parameter value in the program, press Start key to make it blin k, then change the value with Dec. /Inc. key. the value will be stored by pressing Start key noce. then press Start key for more than 2 seconds to start the process.

"AUTO charging" this is for individual Lithium battery or some special battery pack without balance port or cell count. The left side of the first line shows the type of battery you select at the user setting. The right side of the first line shows you the mode of charge. The value on the left side of second line sets a charge current and the value on the right side of second line sets the cells count of the battery. the definition of the following screen are all the same. (To know how to connect, pleases refer picture B)

"Balance charging" this is for 2-6 cells of Lithium battery with balance port, the battery pack being charged should have the individual cell connect, and connect it to the individual port at the right side of charger with a suitable connection cable that fits with your battery pack. (see picture B)In this mode, the charging process will be different from ordinary charging mode, the internal processor of the charger will monitor and control the voltage of each cell of the battery pack. This can improve the discharging performance of the battery! EV charger use the optimised calculation tocontrol the tolerance in the range of  $\pm 0.01$ VI

"Fast charging" select this mode to finish charging process earlier. Principle: When the current down to 1/5 of the current you set during the CV term, it will stop the process and eliminate the forcible requirement of the balance precision. (whether it is been connected to the balance port), the charging capacity may be a bit smaller than normal charging but the process time will be reduced.

"Storage mode " this is for charging or discharging Lithium battery not to be used for the time being. In order to reduce the wastage, you can select this mode to remain the power to 40% to store. The final voltage are different from the type of the battery, Lilo:3.75V. LiPo:3.85V. LiFe:3.3V. This is an intellective program, If the voltage of battery at its initial stage is over the voltage level to storage, the program will start to discharge, and if it is lower, the program will start to charge automatically. In order to ensure each battery meets the demand, the individual plug of the battery pack should be connected to the individual port of charger.

"Discharge mode" theoretically, Lithium battery do not need to discharge, especially deep-discharge. This feature is to ensure the power wastage of the Lithium battery over 90%, to avoid the overcharge of the individual battery, you should connect the balance plug of the battery to the charger, and the current may not exceed 1C.

#### **Picture B**



connection diagram in the Auto charging mode

connection diagram in the balance charging /storage/discharge mode

Individual cell connection diagram

## 5.3.1 Start to charge/discharge: after set up the mode menu correctly, press ${{E_{start}}\atop{Start}}$ key for more than 2 seconds to start the process.



This screen shows the number of cells you set up and the processor detects. "R" shows the number of cells found by charger and "S" is the number of cells selected by you at the previous menu. If both number are identical you can start charging by press Enter Start button. if not, press Mode button to go back to previous menu, then carefully check the number of cells of the battery pack to charge again. If you selected the AUTO mode or discharge mode, you can pass over this screen directly.

This screen shows the present situation during charge process. to stop charging press Mode Esc key once; As you can see in the sketch on left,①:for the cells count,②:for the operating

mode, CHG=charging at auto mode、BAL=balance charging mode、FAS=fast charging、 STO=storage mode、DSC=discharge mode;③:elapsed time,④:charge/discharge current, ⑤:charge/discharge voltage of battery,⑥:capacity of charge/discharge