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User manual RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV Lithium Battery Storage

About this manual

This manual is intended for the RealCurrent RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV Energy Storage battery, but the hybrid inverter and any other equipment is not included. The RealCurrent hot line and https://realcurrent.eu are both available if you want to get additional information.

Statement

Compliant to Best Practice Guide for Battery Storage Equipment—Electrical Safety Requirements- version 1- Pre-assembled integrated battery energy storage system equipment – Method 1 mandatory requirements and Optional requirements – a), c), e), f), g), h), i), j), k), l), m), n), o), p), q).

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1. Safety introduction

1.1 Important Safety Instructions

This manual contains important instructions for:

RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV Energy Storage product

and this manual must be followed when installing and using this product.

The product is designed and tested in accordance with international safety requirements IEC 60364, but as with all electrical and electronic equipment, certain precautions must be observed when installing and/or operating the product. To reduce the risk of personal injury and ensure the safe installation and operation of the product, you must carefully read and follow all instructions, cautions and warnings in this manual.

1.2 Warnings in this Document

A warning describes a hazard to equipment or personnel. It calls attention to a procedure or practice, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to or destruction of part or all of the RealCurrent equipment and/or other equipment connected to the RealCurrent equipment or personal injury.

Symbol	Description
	Caution, risk of electric shock
	Heavy enough may cause severe injure
	Keep the battery away from open flame or ignition sources
Ø	Keep the battery away from children
X	Do not dispose of the product with household waste
	Recycling
	Read this manual before installation and operation

For safety reasons, installers are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the contents of this manual and all warnings before performing installation.

1.3 Battery handing guide

- Use the battery pack only as directed.
- If the battery defective, appears cracked, broken or otherwise damaged, or fails to operate, contract the RealCurrent hot line immediately.
- Do not attempt to open, disassemble, repair, tamper with, or modify the battery. The battery pack is not user serviceable.
- To protect the battery and its components from damage when transporting, handle with care.

- Do not subject it to any strong force.
- Do not insert foreign objects into any part of the battery pack.
- Do not use cleaning solvents to clean the battery.
- The battery shall not be connected directly to SELV circuit.

1.4 Response to emergency situations

The RealCurrent battery is designed with multiple safety strategies to prevent hazards resulting from failures. However, RealCurrent cannot guarantee their absolute safety for uncertain situations.

1.4.1 Leaking batteries

If the battery pack leaks electrolyte, avoid contact with the leaking liquid or gas. Electrolyte is corrosive and contact may cause skin irritation and chemical burns. If one is exposed to the leaked substance, do these actions:

Inhalation: Evacuate the contaminated area, and seek medical attention immediately. **Eyes contact**: Rinse eyes with flowing water for 15 minutes, and seek medical attention immediately.

Skin contact: Wash the affected area thoroughly with soap and water, and seek medical attention immediately.

Ingestion: Induce vomiting as soon as possible, and seek medical attention immediately.

1.4.2 Fire

In case of a fire, make sure that an ABC or carbon dioxide extinguisher is nearby and does not use water to extinguish the fire.

WARNING

The battery pack may catch fire when heated above 150 °C.

If a fire breaks out where the battery is installed, do these actions:

1. Extinguish the fire before the battery catches fire.

2. If the battery has caught fire, do not try to extinguish the fire. Evacuate people immediately.

WARNING

If the battery catches fire, it will produce poisonous gases. Do not approach.

1.4.3 Wet battery

If the battery is wet or submerged in water, do not try to access it. Contact RealCurrent hot line or your distributor for technical assistance.

1.4.4 Damaged battery

If the battery damaged, please contract RealCurrent hot line or your distributor for help as soon as possible, because damaged battery is dangerous and must be handled with extreme caution. Damaged battery is not suit for use and may pose a danger to people or property. If the battery seems to be damaged, return it to RealCurrent or your distributor.

CAUTION

Damaged battery might export electrolyte or flammable gas, so contact RealCurrent for advice and information immediately we will deal with it within 48h.

1.5 Installers

RealCurrent Energy Storage battery is suggested installing by skilled worker or electrician. A skilled worker is defined as a people who had been trained and qualified electrician or had all of the following skills and experience:

- Knowledge of the functional principles and operation of on-grid Energy Storage systems.
- Knowledge of the dangers and risks associated with installing and using electrical devices and acceptable mitigation methods.
- Knowledge of the installation of electrical devices
- Knowledge of and adherence to this manual and all safety precautions and best practices.

1.6 APP download

RealCurrent Energy storage battery monitor App could be downloaded by scanning this bar code with your smart phone.

1.7 Scrap battery

For scrap battery(-ies), please treat with local laws or regulations to recycle or scrap. **1.8 Contact information**

Use the contacts below for technical assistance. This e-mail address is available only during business hours on weekdays.

E-mail: info@realcurrent.eu

2. Product Introduction

2.1 Technical data

Model	RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV
Total Energy*	5.8kWh
Usable Energy(DC)*	5.3kWh
Nominal Charge/Discharge Power	2.75kW
Peak Power(Only discharge)	7kW for 3 seconds
Constant Current(Only discharge)	100A
Voltage	42-54Vd.c
Nominal Voltage	48Vd.c
Nominal Current	57A
Max. Charge Voltage	54.0V
Recommended Peukert Setting(Off-grid)	1.05
Max. Recommended DOD (Off-grid)	90%
Operating Condition	Indoor or outdoor
Operating Temperature	From 0~45℃
Dimension(L*W*H)	525*635*238 mm
WIFI Frequency Range	2400MHz-2483MHz
Max. Transmission Power	<20dBm
Weight	66kg
Humidity	4-100%
Pollution Degree	3
Over Voltage Category	II
Cooling Type	Natural cooling
Case Material	Metal + Plastic
Color	Black + Silver grey or white
Installation	Free standing
IP rating	IP 65
Protective Class	Ι
Max. Number of Parallel Connection	4
Warranty	10 years(Daily cycle)
Life Span	>15 years
Communication	CAN/ RS485
Protection Mode	Triple hardware protection
Battery Protection	Over-current/Over-voltage/Short circuit/
Safaty	Cell UL 1973
Salety	Pack TUV(IEC 62619, IEC 62040-1)
Hazardous Material Classification	9
Transportation	UN 38.3

Testing conditions based on temperature 25° C at the beginning of life.

*Total Energy/Usable Energy measured under specific conditions from RealCurrent 0.2C CC-CV

2.2 Exploded views of battery



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2.3 Indicator and ports

2.3.1 Indicator

There are four LED indicators on the front of the battery to show its operating status.



Item	Designation	Definition
1	Standby	Battery no power output or input
2	Charge	Battery is charging
3	Discharge	Battery is discharging
4	Fault	Battery is in a warning state, see troubleshooting in Chapter 6
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2.3.2 Ports

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The power cable connectors and communication cable (DVC-A voltage)



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1- Data cable interface

2- Power cable interface



Building up illustration of waterproof terminal

2.4 Communication interface plat (DVC-A₂ voltage)



J2	Communication interface for battery or master battery with Inverter
J3&J4	Communication interfaces for batteries between parallel connected batteries
SW1&SW2&SW3	DIP switches for CAN and RS485, see part 5.3
SW4	DIP switch select for CAN or RS485
SW7	DIP switch select for master and slave battery, see part 5.2
SW8	DIP switch to select default protocol type, 000_2 is the default configuration

2.5 How it works



Batteries will power the AC load when the sun sets.



If the battery capacity is insufficient to meet selfconsumption requirement, electricity will be obtained from the grid.



Optimized self-consumption will be achieved. Batteries are used to store the excess energy produced by PV System.



2.6 Feature

The RealCurrent Energy Storage battery has following features:

- Energy storage unit: This battery is suit for photovoltaic system compatibility.
- **Battery management system (BMS)**: The battery built-in BMS monitors its operation and prevents the battery from operating outside design limitations. See **Troubleshooting** on **Chapter 8**.
- **Monitor**: The battery BMS built-in with WIFI module, the battery running information could be seeing in mobile phone and computer.
- Easy firmware update: The BMS firmware can be updated to the latest version. See Chapter 9 Firmware Update on page 28.
- **Expandability**: The battery capacity can be increased by adding another battery. See **part 5.6 Parallel connection** on page 20.

3. Guidance for disconnection of batteries during shipment

3.1 RealCurrent RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV is not suit for air transport.

- 3.2 Cartons that have been crushed, punctured, or torn in such a way that contents are revealed shall be set aside in an isolated area and inspected by a skilled person. If the package is deemed to be not shippable, the contents shall be promptly collected, segregated, and either the consignor or consignee contacted.
- 3.3 The DC circuit of RealCurrent RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV battery has been disconnected before outgoing. The DC breaker recommended to be reconnected by skilled installer before use.

3.4 A precautionary label had been affixed to the shipping carton to alert individuals

as to the battery within the package have been disconnected; otherwise, the battery should not be transported.

3.5 We have conducted comprehensive tests to ensure the equipment they distribute around the world is safe for **shipping** transport. These products shall be handled with care and immediately inspected if visibly damaged. If the cartoon visibly damaged, please contract with RealCurrent hot line to confirm whether the battery could be used safely or not.



4. Installation Prerequisites

4.1 Installation location

Make sure that the installation location meets the following conditions:

- The building is designed to withstand earthquakes.
- Far away from the sea to avoid salt water and humidity.
- The floor is flat and level.
- No flammable or explosive materials nearby.
- Optimal ambient temperature is between 15° C and 30° C.
- Temperature and humidity stays at a constant level.
- Minimal dust and dirt in the area.
- No corrosive gases present, including ammonia and acid vapor.

The RealCurrent battery is rated at IP65, so the battery could be installed outdoors as well as indoors.

But if installed outdoors, do not allow the battery to be exposed to direct sunlight or moisture.



If the ambient temperature is outside the operating range, battery will protect itself by shutting down. The battery optimal operate temperature is 15 $^{\circ}$ C to 30 $^{\circ}$ C. Frequent exposure to severe operating condition would exacerbate the performance and lifetime of the battery.

4.2 Installation clearance



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4.3 Installation process

The battery should be installed according to the following flow chart. The detail installation process described in chapter **4 Install process.**



4.4 Installation materials

Following installation materials should be prepared by installers.

- Power cable
- Data cable
- Ground wire
- RJ45 plug
- Bipolar external isolator (must be installed), when two or more battery systems in parallel, each of them shall have a bipolar isolator.

NOTICE Make sure the cross-sectional area of charging cables is 25 to 35 mm².

NOTICE

A bipolar breaker between RealCurrent battery and inverter was required to install, and the breaker's min. current should be over 150A or following with local regulations.

4.5 Tools

To install the battery pack, those following tools are required:



In order to protect operator and installer's safety, please select and use suitable tools and measuring instruments that are certified for precision and accuracy.

4.6 Safety instruments

Insulated glove

When dealing with the battery, following safety gears should be equipped. Installers must meet the relevant requirements of IEC 60364 or the domestic legislation and other relevant international standards.





Safety goggles 4.7 Making network cable



Safety shoes

The network cable between RealCurrent battery and inverter should be made like that diagram. If available, use a LAN cable tester to see whether the cable is faulty. 4.8 Storage

If the battery is not to be installed immediately, or removed from operation and needs to be stored for a long period, please choose an appropriate location to store it.

Instructions for storage are:

- Do not stack more than four battery boxes.
- The temperature of battery stored recommended in the range of -20 $^{\circ}$ C to 45 $^{\circ}$ C.
- Do not expose to water

The battery box should be upright as shown in the following figure and not stacked upside down when storing the battery box.





If the battery needs to be stored over 3 months, the main breaker of battery suggests be disconnecting. Otherwise, the battery would discharge at a minimum rate and capacity degrades depended on storage time, the battery self-consumption less than 5w. And, if the battery stored over 6 months, it is suggested to connect the battery with inverter and commission the system.

5. Battery Installation

5.1 Unpacking

WARNING

The battery is 64kg and it is too heavy for one to carry. Make sure that two or more persons are available.



1. Cut the packing belt and remove the packing box top cover.



2. Remove the bracket.



3. Take out the battery with hand hole in cardboard.



4. Pull out the battery pack and stand it upright. Check if the battery pack is damaged.

5.2 Package items

These items are included in the package.



5.3 Checks before installation

There are a few things to check before installing the battery to ensure that it has no defects.

Check item 1: Check the main breaker safety and stability; Check item 2: Check the battery voltage.

WARNING

If this checking process is executed for any reason after the battery is fully installed, make sure that the inverter is turned off or break the connection between battery and inverter while checking the battery.

CAUTION

There is a hook on the cover plate back, please following the indication which stuck on the cover.





- 1. Remove the top cover. Loosen the eight hex socket screws at the cover, and pull it up.
- Make sure to set the SW7 select DIP switch to 001₂. See part 5.2.



- 3. At the first installation, make sure that the main breaker is in the OFF position.
- 4. Make sure the main breaker behind the OFF position until it cannot go any further and then push it to the ON position. If the breaker moves to any other positions by itself, do not use the battery. Contact RealCurrent hot line or your distributor.





- 5. Press and hold the panel button for about 4 seconds and then release it after the four LED lights on, measure the voltage at the terminal block with a voltmeter. If the voltage is lower than 45 V, do not use the battery and contact RealCurrent hot line or your distributor.
- 6. Switch the main breaker OFF, and then measure the voltage at the terminal block with a voltmeter again. If the voltage is higher than 0V, do not use the battery and contact RealCurrent hot line or your distributor.
- Replace the top cover and tighten the screws to a torque of 0.25 N·m.

5.4 Installation the battery

To prevent the battery from moving, make sure the battery fixed to a wall.

The symbol located on the back cover plate, and the earth wire between battery and inverter is not compulsive but recommended.

NOTICE

If the battery is installed above the floor or on a platform, make sure that the wall or platform is capable of supporting the battery's weight.





- 1. Determine bracket mounting place to be fixed using the bracket.
- 2. Drill holes in the wall for the M6 (0.25 in) screw anchors, and the hole depth should be at least 50 mm.

- 3. Drive the screw anchors through the mounting bracket into the holes.
- 4. Tighten the screws to a torque of 2.5 N m.
- 5. Fasten the mounting beam to battery.





6. Fixing the battery to bracket with screws.

5.5 Cable connections

WARNING

Before connecting battery with inverter, please make sure that no inverter connected or the inverter turned off.

5.5.1 Connect the data cable



Feed a data cable through the large grommets and then through the data cable entries make sure the SW7 DIP switch select 001_2 .

5.5.2 Connecting the power cables for battery



Feed a pair of power cables through each of the large grommets and then through each of the large cable entries.

CAUTION

Pay attention not to reverse polarity. Connection with reversed polarity will cause severe damage to the battery and even fire.

5.6 Parallel connection

5.6.1 Data cable connect between batteries



Feed a data cable through the large grommets and then through the data cable entries, the DIP switch select reference **part 5.2**

5.6.2 Power cables connect between batteries



Feed another pair of power cables through master and slave battery's large grommets and then through each of the large cable entries.

CAUTION

RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV energy storage battery only could be used by **parallel mode** if two or more batteries installed.

NOTICE

Before two or more batteries installed in parallel, please check the voltage of each battery and make sure the voltage different less than 1.0V.

6. Configuration

DIP switch should be set correctly for proper communication between inverter and battery

If parallel connecting multiple batteries, please set the DIP switches as following: **6.1 Configure device WIFI**

The RealCurrent battery has a built-in WIFI module for use with the **RealCurrent** APP.



1. Remove the cover by pulling it up to expose the SD card board. The WIFI setting of battery should be as following



2. Press and hold the white button for 7 seconds on SD card board.

WLAN	
WLAN+ Enhanced Internet experience	On >
AVAILABLE NETWORKS	
Aobo_Guest Connected (good quality)	(((•
Solar-WiFi18300069 Saved, encrypted (no Internet ad	ccess)
USR-WIFI232-B2_1508 Saved	((:-
dd-wrt_vap Saved	((*
aWiFi Saved	((î•
360WiFi	
Encrypted	Configure More

3. Connect the 'USR-WIFI232-XX_XXXX' with your smart phone, and then the

light of WIFI will turn on by itself within 5 seconds.

4. Open the APP monitor of battery, select 'Config Device Wifi' option box.

-T	RealCurre	ent ent
£	Name	
<u> </u>	Pasisword	۲
	Login	
	Register	
	Config Device Wifi	

5. Search and select SSID connected and input the password, press ok and finish. The light of WIFI module would light automatically under WLAN accessible condition.

<	config wifi		
Aobo_Guest			Q
password		49000	
	ok		
\bigtriangledown	Ó		

NOTICE

If the WIFI cannot be set or there is no WLAN accessible, the battery can still operate normally.

6.2 Register your account

NOTICE

The RealCurrent battery could be registered only one time.

1. Open the APP monitor of battery, select 'Register' option box.

RealCurrent The Power Company
A Name
Login
Config Device WM
Network (2010/VF.2)

2. After scanning the bar code of battery, there are some personal messages need to be filled which noted by "*" symbol.

11:51 * W	09:29 @ 🗖
<	Register
 Name 	Name
 Password 	
Confirm Password	
 Address 	Address
 Emergency Call 	Emergency Call
Email	
PCS manufacturer	
PCS Model	
PCS Serial number	
PCS Version	
Device S N	
	Confirm

3. After those messages filled, the APP would jump to the running interface automatically.

NOTICE The RealCurrent battery running is not associated with registration or not.

6.3 Setting for communication interface

For RC-LFP 5.8kWh/LV Energy Storage battery, the limit of parallel number is 4. For each connecting mode, the DIP switch SW7 dial mode like following tables 6-1.



Parallel battery	Group	DIP Switch	120R_INV	120R M/S
1	_	000 ₂ or 001 ₂	ON	ON
The DIP switch SW7 selected for 2 batteries connected with inverter				
Parallel batteries	Group	DIP Switch	120R_INV	120R M/S
2	Master	0112	ON	ON
	Slave	0102	OFF	ON
The DIP switch SW7 selected for 3 batteries connected with inverter				
Parallel batteries	Group	DIP Switch	120R_INV	120R M/S
3	Master	1012	ON	ON
	Slave 1	0102	OFF	OFF
	Slave 2	1002	OFF	ON
The DIP switch SW7 selected for 4 batteries connected with inverter				
Parallel batteries	Group	DIP Switch	120R_INV	120R M/S
4	Master	1112	ON	ON
	Slave 1	0102	OFF	OFF
	Slave 2	1002	OFF	OFF
	Slave 3	1102	OFF	ON

Table 6-1 The DIP switch SW7 selected for 1 battery connected with inverter

NOTICE

If two or more batteries connected with parallel mode, batteries need to be restarted.

6.4 Settings for CAN /485 bus pins

Confirm that the CANL/485B DIP switch is set to SW2 which pin is used for CAN high signal by inverter (4-CANH/485A), and the CANL/485B DIP switch is set to SW1 which pin is used for CAN low signal by inverter (5-CANL/485B).

As SW3 the CAN/485 GND DIP switch, installer should confirm which pin is used for ground by inverter or not.



NOTICE

The battery default protocol is CAN bus, if a inverter communication mode is RS485 or other protocol, please contact RealCurrent hot line befor installed the battery.

7. Commissioning

7.1 Commissioning battery

If there is only one battery installed, use the following steps to put it in operation:

- 1. Open the top cover. Be careful of live connections.
- 2. Move the main breaker to the ON position.
- 3. Press and hold the panel button on the side of the unit for about 4s, after the four indicator lights on, release the panel button.
- 4. Make sure that the Standby light is on. If it stays off, do not use the battery and contact RealCurrent or your distributor.
- 5. Turn the inverter on, and wait for the start-up sequence to complete fully.

When there are two or more batteries connected with parallel mode, after the charging cable and the data cable has been connected correctly, follow these steps to put them in operation:

- 1. Check battery voltage level is above 45V
 - a) If battery voltage is under 42V contact your distributor or RealCurrent after service hot line for help.
- 2. Move the main breaker to the ON position. Press and <u>HOLD</u> the panel button for about 4s, after four seconds the indicator lights will turn on.
- 3. Release the panel button.
 - a) For all batteries, make sure that the Standby light is on.
 - b) Make sure the maximum voltage different between batteries less than 1.0V.
 - c) If not, the installer should balance the battery voltage and then parallel connect batteries together.
 - d) Set the DIP switches like part **5.2 Setting for communication interface**.
- 4. Turn the inverter on, and wait for the start-up sequence to complete fully.

7.2 Shutting down battery

Shut down the battery only when the battery is no charge or discharge current which could be seen in your smart phone with APP.

- 1. Remove the top cover from the battery. Be careful of live circuits.
- 2. Turn off the battery by moving the circuit breaker switch to the OFF position.
- 3. Make sure that every light on the battery is off.
- 4. Replace the top cover.

8. Troubleshooting

- 1. Every fault is presented by a fault code. If the battery fault light is on, please check the Fault code in Homepage.
- 2. If the battery fault light on, pls check the Troubleshooting number in Homepage in your RealCurrent APP, if the code is $0x1^{***}$, this problem would be recovered by itself. But if the code is $0x2^{***}$ or $0x3^{***}$, please contact the RealCurrent after service hot line or your distributor for help.
- 3. If the information of battery cannot be seen in the monitoring system, check the battery status first. If the battery status is OFF, please turn the battery on, and then check the WLAN is accessible for battery.
- 4. If Register the battery failure, please check the network of mobile phone nearby the battery installation site available and stable.

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Fault Code	Detail fault message	
0x1001	Battery under voltage warning	
0x1002	Battery over voltage warning	
0x1003	Battery under temperature warning	
0x1004	Battery over temperature warning	
0x1005	Battery charge over current warning	
0x1006	Battery discharge over current warning	
0x1007	Cell over discharge warning	
0x1008	Cell over charge warning	
0x1009	Battery charge with over temperature warning	
0x1010	Battery discharge with over temperature warning	
0x1011	Battery charge with under temperature warning	
0x1012	Battery discharge with under temperature warning	
0x2001	Battery under voltage protect	
0x2002	Battery and cell over discharge protect	
0x2003	Battery over charge protect	
0x2004	Battery over voltage and cell over charge protect	
0x2005	Battery under temperature protect	
0x2006	Battery over temperature protect	
0x2007	Battery charge over current protect	
0x2008	Battery discharge over current protect	
0x2009	Cell over discharge protect	
0x2010	Cell over charge protect	
0x3000	Communication broken between master and slave Battery	

Table 8-1 Fault Code of Battery

9. Firmware Update

It is possible to update the BMS firmware version manually via using a SD Memory card or via the WIFI monitor system App.

After a new firmware version is uploading to the server, the firmware could be updated over the Internet by itself after holder confirmed.



If the internet is not accessible, firmware could be updated with memory card. The operation progress as following:

- 1. Inside the memory card to the card slot.
- 2. Press and hold the SD card slot button for 3s and release it, then the firmware would update automatically.
- The capacity of the memory card must not be greater than 1 GB.
- The memory card must be formatted in FAT16 or FAT32.
- It must have only one firmware file in the root directory.



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