# **AC Current sensor**



## Introduction

The AC Current sensor is a simple external current sensor used to measure AC Current, Power (VA) and calculate energy of a PV inverter connected to the AC input or output of a Multi or Quattro. These values can then be displayed and sent to the VRM-website by the Color Control. The two measurement wires can be connected to the AUX and/or temperature sense input of a Multi or Quattro.

### Multi and Quattro hardware requirements

- 1. The Multi or Quattro needs to have the new microprocessor: make sure that the 7 digit firmware version number, as written on the microprocessor, starts with 26 or 27. Old, and therefore incompatible, control boards will have a firmware version starting with 19 or 20.
- 2. The TEMP-sense input of all Multi's and Quattro's is suitable for the AC Current Sensor.
- 3. The AUX-input however is not, see serial number list below to check your hardware.
- 4. On the Multiplus-II hardware revision 0 to 8, the AUX input is on the RJ12 connector, pin 1 and 5. Refer to appendix A of the manual. In later revisions the AUX input is available as a normal terminal again.
- 5. the Multi or Quattro needs to be connected on the VE.Bus port of the Color Control GX: readout will <u>not</u> work when connected on the VE.Can port using a VE.Bus to VE.Can interface cable.

### Installation



- 1. Put one of the AC wires of the PV inverter through the AC Current sensor.
- 2. Connect the sensor to the AUX or TEMP-sense input of an Inverter, Multi or Quattro in the same phase as being measured by that current sensor.
- 3. Configure the power range with the dipswitches. Select the power equal or higher than the maximum expected power. For example, with a 4kW PV installation, the correct dipswitch setting is 5kW.
- 4. Multi-phase installations: add one AC current sensor for each phase of the PV inverter. Wire it to the Multi in the same phase.

#### Configuration

- Upgrade the Multi or Quattro firmware to the latest version (2xx). Instructions are in the VEConfigure3 requirements document. Download from: www.victronenergy.com/support-and-downloads/software
- 2. Parallel and three-phase systems: configure parallel or three-phase operation first.
- 3. Then use the VEConfigure3 to add and configure the 'AC Current sensor' assistant.
- 4. Parallel and three-phase systems: add the assistant to each Multi or Quattro that has an AC Current sensor connected to it.
- 5. Make sure that the Color Control is running firmware version v1.11 or newer.
- 6. Select the correct profile on the Color Control: Settings  $\rightarrow$  System setup.

#### FAQ

#### How many AC Current Sensors can I connect in one VE.Bus system?

The current maximum is four sensors. Note that each need to be configured separately with an assistant in the Multi or Quattro to which it is wired. The maximum of four will be increased to 9, in CCGX version v1.30, planned for December 2015

#### Specification

Power range		3kW	5kW	7kW	Not us	ed
Power step size Approx depends on input voltage (230V AC)	9	17	30	35	-	W
Power step size Approx depends on input voltage (120V AC)	4.5	8.5	15	17.5	-	W
Max measured Current		16	25	30.5	-	Α
Max Input current	9	18	30	40	-	А

Power range	1.5kW	3kW	5kW	7kW	Not us	ed
Dipswitch	-	1	1,2	1,2,3	1,2,3,4	ON
Protection category	IP54	-	-	-		

Supported mod	upported models		TEMP input	
Product code	Description	Minimum SN#	Minimum SN#	
PMP123021010	MultiPlus 12/3000/120-50 - 230V	HQ1352	All serial numbers	
PMP123021102	MultiPlus 12/3000/120-50 120V	HQ1322	All serial numbers	
PMP243021010	MultiPlus 24/3000/70-50 230V	HQ1350	All serial numbers	
PMP243021102	MultiPlus 24/3000/70-50 120V	HQ1347	All serial numbers	
PMP245021010	MultiPlus 24/5000/120-100 230V	HQ1326	All serial numbers	
PMP485021010	MultiPlus 48/5000/70-100 230V	HQ1326	All serial numbers	
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QUA123020010	Quattro 12/3000/120-50/50-230V	HQ1332	All serial numbers	
QUA125020000	Quattro 12/5000/220-100/100-230V	HQ1347	All serial numbers	
QUA125021100	Quattro 12/5000/220-100/100-120V	HQ1329	All serial numbers	
QUA243020010	Quattro 24/3000/70-50/50-230V	HQ1341	All serial numbers	
QUA245021010	Quattro 24/5000/120-100/100-230V +50A aux.	HQ1326	All serial numbers	
QUA243020010	Quattro 24/3000/70-50/50-230V	HQ1341	All serial numbers	
QUA245021010	Quattro 24/5000/120-100/100-230V +50A aux.	HQ1326	All serial numbers	
QUA248020010	Quattro 24/8000/200-100/100-230V +50A aux.	HQ1333	All serial numbers	
QUA483021100	Quattro 48/3000/35-50/50 120V	HQ1329	All serial numbers	
QUA485021010	Quattro 48/5000/70-100/100-230V +50A aux.	HQ1330	All serial numbers	
QUA485021100	Quattro 48/5000/70-100/100-120V/60Hz +50A aux	HQ1341	All serial numbers	
QUA488020000	Quattro 48/8000/110-100/100 230V.	HQ1327	All serial numbers	
QUA481030010	Quattro 48/10000/140-100/100 230V +50A aux	HQ1326	All serial numbers	
QUA488020000	Quattro 48/8000/110-100/100 230V	HQ1327	All serial numbers	
QUA481030010	Quattro 48/10000/140-100/100 230V +50A aux.	HQ1326	All serial numbers	
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PMP243021014	Multi-G 24/3000/70-50	All serial numbers	All serial numbers	
PMP245021014	Multi-G 24/5000/120-100	All serial numbers	All serial numbers	
PMP485021014	Multi-G 48/5000/70-100	All serial numbers	All serial numbers	
Other models		Not yet implemented.	All serial numbers	

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