

Orion XS 12/12-50A DC-DC battery charger

12/12-50 700 Watt

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Engineered from the ground up, the Orion XS redefines adaptive DC-DC battery charging. For use in dual battery systems charged with an (intelligent) alternator. This device not only ensures top-tier performance but also guarantees the safety of your system.

The Orion XS serves as a DC-DC battery charger or as a power supply, offering a wide input and output voltage range. This is especially significant in the case of vehicles with a Euro 5 or Euro 6 smart alternator, which often supplies too low charging voltage even when the engine is running or when extended cable lengths, as is often the case in boats and RVs, lead to voltage drops. In such scenarios, precise and controlled charging is imperative to fully charge the service battery while protecting the starter/input battery from discharge.

Adjustable charging current

The charge current is adjustable with a minimum stepsize of 0.1A. via VictronConnect.

Smart alternator compatibility

An integrated mechanism detects whether the engine is running (engine shutdown detection), which only activates the charger when the alternator supplies power. This ensures that the charger only draws power when the alternator is supplying power, i.e. when the engine is running.

Adaptive 4-stage charge algorithm

For lead acid batteries it is important that during shallow discharges the absorption time is kept short in order to prevent overcharging of the battery. After a deep discharge the absorption time is automatically increased to make sure that the battery is completely recharged.

The Orion XS includes fully programmable charging algorithms and eight pre-programmed battery settings.

Low temperature shutdown and input undervoltage protection

To prevent damage of lithium batteries the charger will turn off automatically at low temperatures. It will also shut down when the input voltage drops below a configurable lockout value and restart when the input voltage rises above the restart value, this to protect the input source i.e. starter battery from deep discharge.

Remote on/off

The Orion XS can be switched on and off remotely via the remote on/off connector or the VictronConnect App. Typical applications include wiring a switch or Battery Management System (BMS).

Comprehensive electronic protection

The protections includes overload, short circuit and excessive temperatures. The charger is protected against over-temperature by reducing the output power when the maximum product temperature is reached.

Can be paralleled to increase output current

An unlimited number of units can be connected in parallel.

Bluetooth Smart enabled

Built-in Bluetooth Smart: The wireless solution to change settings, monitor activities and update the Orion XS software using Apple and Android smartphones, tablets or other devices. Various parameters can be adjusted with the [VictronConnect App](#).

Instant Readout: The VictronConnect App can display key data, including warnings and alarms, on the Device list page without the need to connect to the product.

VE.Direct port ¹⁾

For a wired connection to a GX device such as the [Cerbo GX](#) or [Ekran GX](#), PC or other devices. Enables advanced monitoring, control and diagnostics from anywhere (requires a GX device connected to the internet and [VRM Portal](#)) or locally via the Remote Console.

IP65 protection

The Orion XS complies with ingress protection rating IP65. This means the product is dust-tight and protected against heavy rain.

¹⁾ Please note that GX device support (monitoring and control via VE.Direct, VRM, DVCC) and VE.Smart Networking compatibility are expected for March 2024.

Orion XS 12/12-50A DC-DC battery charger	ORI121217040
Input voltage range	9-17 V
Output voltage adjust range	10-17 V
Output voltage tolerance	+/- 0.25% (max)
Output voltage noise	10 mV rms
Input and output current setting range	1 – 50 A
Maximum constant short-circuit current	50 A
Continuous output power up to 40°C ⁽¹⁾	700 W
Maximum efficiency	98.5 %
No-load current consumption	< 100 mA
Standby current consumption	< 1.5 mA
Can be used as power supply	Yes, output voltage can be set with VictronConnect App
Communication	
VictronConnect App / Bluetooth Smart	Yes
VE.Smart Networking	Planned for March 2024 ⁽²⁾
VE.Direct	Yes, GX compatibility is planned for March 2024 ⁽³⁾
Other	
Operating temperature range	-20 to +60 °C (derating 1.5 % per °C above 40 °C)
Humidity	Max. 95 % non-condensing
DC connection	Screw terminals
Maximum cable cross-section	25 mm ² (AWG4)
Weight	0.330 kg (0.73 lb)
Dimensions hwxwd	137.3 x 123.1 x 40 mm (5.4 x 4.85 x 1.6 inch)
Protection category	IP65
Standards	
Safety	IEC 62477-1
Emission	IEC 61000-6-3, EN 55014-2
Immunity	IEC 61000-6-2, IEC 61000-6-1, EN 55014-2
Automotive Directive	ECE R10-5 pending

- 1) This applies to optimal cooling where the product is mounted as indicated in the manual with sufficient free space. In case of limited cooling, e.g. due to insufficient airflow, the charging current will be regulated back sooner. With an improved airflow (e.g. forced airflow), derating will take place far above ambient temperatures of 40°C.
- 2) VE.Smart Networking features will be receiving Vsense, Tsense and Isense data from the wireless network, for example from a SmartShunt, BMV or Smart Battery Sense.
- 3) GX device features will include monitoring, including remotely on the VRM Portal, as well as DVCC (Vsense, Tsense, Isense, System wide charge current limit and BMS control).

