

**P/No. SPA100** 

# 12 VOLT, 1.5 WATT **100mA SOLAR PANEL** AMORPHOUS



# WARNING

- Read the operating instructions before use.
- Lead Acid Batteries can be dangerous. Ensure no sparks or flames are present when working near batteries. Eye protection should be used.
- Make sure the solar panel is mounted securely or stowed while driving.
- For use with 12V lead acid batteries only.
- Follow all vehicle manufacturer's instructions.

# FEATURES

- Ideal for maintaining the battery of an infrequently used vehicle.
- Prevents power drain caused by radio memories, clocks, alarms & on-board computers.
- Amorphous solar cell technology, maintains the battery in peak condition, even in low light (cloudy) conditions.
- Smart control unit prevents solar discharge at night.
- Easy to use controller plugs directly into your vehicle's cigarette lighter socket.
- Flashing 'Red' LED shows when the solar panel is producing power.
- Can be used for direct battery connection with optional lead P/No. CLE1006 (sold separately).

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Part Number:	SPA100
Туре:	Amorphous
Rated Power:	1.5 Watt at 1000W/m <sup>2</sup> , 25°C
Peak Power Voltage:	13-15VDC
Peak Power Current:	90-105mA
Short Circuit Current:	115mA
DC lead:	3m

#### **Recommended Battery sizes (Maintenance)**

AUTOMOTIVE	100–550CCA
MARINE	150–600MCA
DEEP CYCLE	7–40Ah

# **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

## Placement

While the vehicle is parked, place the solar panel inside the vehicle in a location that receives as much full sun as possible, such as the rear parcel shelf, dash, front seat or near a window.

Remove and securely stow the unit before driving the vehicle to prevent the risk of a flying object in the event of heavy braking or an accident.

The panel can be mounted using the 'Key Holes' on the base for permanent static applications.

### Connection through cigarette lighter socket

- 1. Connect the 3m DC lead to the solar panel.
- 2. Plug the 'Controller' into the vehicle's cigarette socket. The socket needs to have a permanent electrical connection to the vehicle's battery to allow the solar panel to charge the battery even when the ignition is off & the key is removed.
- 3. When there is sufficient sunlight the red LED in the top of the 'Controller' will flash to indicate that the panel is producing power and the unit will provide a trickle charge to the battery. The unit will not overcharge the battery and has an in-built diode to prevent solar discharge at night therefore it may be left connected indefinitely.



# Connection direct to a battery

- 1. To connect directly to a 12V battery you will need the direct connection accessory lead (P/No. CLE1006 Sold separately).
- 2. Plug the 'Controller' into the cigarette socket of the accessory lead.
- 3. Connect the red battery clip to the Positive (+) battery terminal or post.
- 4. Connect the black battery clip to the Negative (-) battery terminal or post.
- 5. When there is sufficient sunlight the red LED in the top of the 'Controller' will flash to indicate that the panel is producing power and the unit will provide a trickle charge to the battery. The unit will not overcharge the battery and has an in-built diode to prevent solar discharge at night therefore it may be left connected indefinitely.



#### Solar panel care

battery directly.

To ensure maximum output, keep the glass surface clean with a soft damp cloth. The solar panel uses glass substrate, handle and store with care. Avoid contact with acid and alkali.

# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

- Q.My vehicle's cigarette socket does not have a permanent connection to the battery, what can I do?
- A. For occasional use the direct connection accessory allows direct connection to the battery. (P/No. CLE1006, available from a Projecta reseller). For frequent use, ask an auto electrician to connect the vehicle's cigarette socket to the

Q.Can I mount the panel outside?

A. The SPA100 is designed for in-vehicle (out of weather) applications. For external applications use the Projecta SPA400 or SPA900 Solar panels.

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