INSTRUCTION MANUAL





12 VOLT, 600W RAILROAD BATTERY CHARGER

I — INTRODUCTION

SCOPE OF MANUAL.

This instruction manual covers the installation and operation of the Kepco Model KRR 12-40 12-Volt, 600W Railroad Battery Charger.

DESCRIPTION.

The Kepco Model KRR 12-40 12-Volt, 600W Railroad Battery Charger is a wall-mounted unit designed to charge 12-Volt lead-acid or nickel cadmium batteries used in railroad applications. The output voltage is set to 13.50V d-c, and is adjust-able from 10.5 to 18V d-c from the front panel recessed trimpot. An optional temperature compensation probe (supplied) provides automatic adjustment of the float voltage to accommodate temperatures from 0° to 50°C. Units may be operated with a nominal 100V a-c to 240V a-c (input voltage range 85 to 265 Va-c), 50-60 Hz (input frequency range 47-66Hz.). Both line and neutral lines are protected by 20A fuses. A front panel ammeter shows charging current.

The heart of the Model KRR 12-40 is a 600W solid-state switching power supply, Kepco's RKW 15-43K-26568, which has an integral cooling fan. A front panel CHARGER ON indicator lights while input power is applied to the a-c input terminals. The front panel TEMP PROBE ERROR indicator lights to show that the temperature compensation probe is not connected to the unit or is inoperable. An internal diode network across the output provides protection in the event that the battery connections are reversed, causing the front panel circuit breaker to open.

FEATURES

- Wide Range Input Operates from input voltage range of 85 to 265V a-c, input frequency range 47-66Hz with no adjustment or modification required.
- Adjustable Float Voltage The float voltage is factory set to 13.50V d-c, and is adjustable from 10.5 to 18V d-c at the front panel by connecting a precision voltmeter to the + and – VOLTAGE MONITOR test points and adjusting the output using the V. FLOAT ADJUST potentiometer.
- Temperature Compensation An optional temperature compensation probe (supplied) provides automatic adjustment of the float voltage to accommodate temperatures from 0° to 50°C for lead-acid batteries.
- CHARGER ON indicator on while a-c input power applied to unit and unit is operational.
- · Charging Current ammeter indicates charging current
- Input protection Two line fuses (20A/250V) are provided.
- **Battery connection protection** If battery connections are reversed, an internal diode network across the output is forward biased; the resulting current flow causes the front panel circuit breaker to pop open. The connections must be switched and the circuit breaker turned on to reset.

II — SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications listed in Table 1 are at nominal input voltages and at 25°C unless otherwise specified.

SPECIFICATION	DESCRIPTION/CONDITION	RATING
Input Voltage	Nominal	100V a-c to 240V a-c
	Range	85V a-c to 265V a-c
	Nominal Frequency	50Hz/60Hz
	Frequency Range	47Hz to 66Hz
Input Current	100V a-c to 120V a-c	8.4A a-c max.
	200V a-c to 240V a-c	4.2A a-c max.
	Surge, cold start, interval > 30 sec 100V a-c to 120V a-c	30A p-p max.
	Surge, cold start, interval > 30 sec 200V a-c to 240V a-c	60A p-p max.
Power Factor	Rated input, rated output	0.99 typical
Efficiency	100V a-c Input	80%
	240V a-c Input	84%
Leakage Current:	Per IEC 950 and UL 1950	0.75mA a-c max.
Output Voltage		Factory set to 13.50V d-c, Adjustable range: 10.5-18.0V d-c
Output Current	Nominal @ 15V d-c Output Ta = -10°C to 50°C, derates for Ta > 50°C	43A d-c
	Short circuit value	51A d-c
Output Power	Ta = -10° C to 50°C, derates for Ta > 50°C	645W
Output Voltage	Ripple	150mV p-p
Ripple & Noise ⁽¹⁾	Noise	200mV p-p
	Source Effect (85 to 132 V a-c and 170 to 265V a-c)	0.2% maximum
Stabilization	Load effect (at sensing terminals)	0.4% maximum
	Temperature effect (-10° to 65°C)	1.0% maximum
	Time effect (8 hours at 25°C)	0.5% maximum
Output Voltage Temperature Compensation	Use optional temperature compensation probe supplied 0°C to +50°C for Lead-Acid battery	3mV/(°F)(cell), 5.4mV/(°C)(cell)
	Overvoltage	25V d-c max.
	Overcurrent (internal > 30 sec)	51A d-c
$O_{\rm extra et}$ Director efficient $\binom{2}{2}$	Internal Overtemperature	
Output Protection (~)	Fan Failure	
	Battery Reversed	Output changed to -0.7V d-c Output disconnected for output current > 50A d-c
	Analog meter for output (charging) current	0 to 50A d-c, 5% accuracy
Front Panel Display	"Charger ON" LED	Green indicates charger is operational
	"Temp Probe Error" LED	Yellow indicates that the probe is not connected or not operational
Operation Temperature	Output performance derated above 50°C and below 0°C	-10°C to +65°C
Storage Temperature		-30°C to 75°C
Cooling		Forced air flow - one fan (exhaust to the left side)
Weight		9.0 lbs. (4.1 Kg.)
Dimension		7.25 in (H). x 11.14 in. (W) x 9 in. (D)
Dimensions		184.2mm (H) x 283 (W) x 228.6 (D)

TABLE 1. MODEL KRR 12-40 SPECIFICATIONS

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	SPECIFICATION	DESCRIPTION/CONDITION	RATING	
	Input Protection		Fuses (2) 20A, 250V, Kepco P/N 141-0100 (Bussman P/N MDA-20)	
(1)	Ripple and noise specification is 1.5 times the indicated values for a temperature range of -10 to 0°C. Ripple and noise levels above are			
	satisfied when conditions are 0 to 100% load, 0 to 65°C, and measuring bandwidth \leq 100MHz.			
(2)	After disconnecting a-c input, r	er disconnecting a-c input, remove the fault, wait about 40 seconds, then reconnect a-c input.		

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III — INSTALLATION

If desired, the battery charger output can be preset prior to mounting at a separate location.

PRESETTING THE OUTPUT

- 1. Remove the front panel window protecting input and output connections by loosening two captive screws.
- 2. Route the AC Input line wires through the appropriate openings in the top of the chassis and secure to L1 and L2 studs.
- Connect the ground connection to the ground stud (see Figure 1) using the 10-32 x 3/8 ACF Brass Hex nut provided (Kepco P/N 102-0007)
- 4. Turn a-c power on and connect a precision digital voltmeter (DVM) to the + and VOLTAGE MONITOR test points at the front panel.
- 5. Monitor the DVM and set the float voltage as desired using the V. FLOAT ADJUST potentiometer at the front panel. It is recommended that the unit be tagged with the float voltage.
- 6. Turn a-c power off and disconnect DVM. If unit is to be mounted at a different location, disconnect ground and a-c input connections, then reinstall window on front panel.

MOUNTING THE BATTERY CHARGER

- 1. Two slotted holes, 7 inches apart, are provided on the upper rear chassis (See Figure 1) to wall mount the unit. The unit has forced air cooling from a single fan located within the integral RKW 15-43K-26568 power supply as well as ventilation holes in the chassis which must be kept clear from obstructions to ensure proper air circulation. Enough space must be provided around the chassis to allow the hot air to exhaust from the components inside the chassis.
- 2. Remove the front panel window protecting input and output connections by loosening two captive screws.
- 3. Route the AC source power line and neutral wires through the appropriate openings at the top of the chassis and install on the studs labeled AC INPUT LINE, L1 and L2.
- 4. Connect ground wire to the ground stud (see Figure 1) using the 10-32 x 3/8 ACF Brass Hex nut provided (Kepco P/N 102-0007)
- 5. Proceed to CONNECTIING THE BATTERY or, if the battery will be connected later, reinstall the front panel window using the two captive screws.

CONNECTING THE BATTERY

- 1. If not done previously, remove the front panel window protecting input and output connections by loosening two captive screws.
- Disconnect load from the battery. Route the + and battery connections through the appropriate openings at the top of the chassis and install on the studs labeled DC OUTPUT, + and – respectively. NOTE: Verify the polarity! If the polarity is reversed, the front panel circuit breaker will pop. If this occurs, reconnect the battery correctly and turn on the circuit breaker.
- 3. Reinstall the front panel window using the two captive screws.

IV — OPERATION

USING TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION FOR LEAD-ACID BATTERY (OPTIONAL)

Temperature compensation allows the output voltage of the Model KRR 12-40 battery charger to be automatically decreased or increased for temperatures above or below 77°F (25°C), respectively. Compensation is 3mV/(°F)(cell) or 5.4mV/(°C)(cell), so for a standard 12 Volt battery using six 2-volt cells, compensation is 18mV/°F. As an example, if temperature measured by the sensor was 80°F, (3°F above 77°F) the output voltage would be decreased by 3 x 18mV = 54mV. Since the temperature is expected to rise while charging, and then fall as the battery becomes fully charged, temperature compensation can prolong battery life by adjusting the float voltage automatically.

- Connect the temperature probe cable to the TEMP PROBE connector at the front panel. Verify that the TEMP PROBE 1. ERROR indicator is not lit.
- 2. Attach the temperature probe to the negative (-) terminal of the battery being charged. If the threaded stud is long enough, mount the probe on the threaded stud and attach with another nut. Otherwise, remove the existing nut and use it to attach the temperature probe. In either case observe torgue requirements when tightening the nut.

CHARGING THE BATTERY

- If the float voltage has been preset, proceed to step 2. Otherwise, refer to PRESETTING THE OUTPUT under INSTAL-1. LATION and set the float voltage for the battery to be charged.
- 2. Connect the battery (see INSTALLATION) and install temperature compensation if desired (see above). Verify all battery and a-c line connections are tight.
- 3. Apply a-c source power to the unit. If the circuit breaker pops, the battery connections are reversed; disconnect a-c power, reverse the battery connections, reapply a-c power and turn on the circuit breaker. The front panel ammeter indicates the charging current. NOTE: If the CHARGER ON indicator fails to light, verify that a-c source power is present and that the AC INPUT fuses have not blown.
- When the charging current as indicated on the front panel ammeter falls to near zero, the battery is fully charged. 4.



FIGURE 1. MODEL KRR 12-40, FRONT VIEW

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