

The KID Wind/Hydro Controller Instruction Manual



PRODUCT FEATURES

- MPPT Tracking for Wind and Hydro.
- Up to 150V input.
- Auto Gen-Start.
- 12V, 24V, 36V, 48V battery output.
- Up to 30 amps battery output.
- No fan.
- Reverse polarity protected.
- Battery Temp Sensor standard.
- Front panel exchangeable fuses for battery, input, and load/clipper.
- 3 LED bar graph for battery status at a glance.
- Keypad for access to extensive menu items, and set points.
- Includes wall mount adapter.
- Sealed for harsh environments*
- THE KID IS CERTIFIED TO UL1741, UL458 (MARINE SUPPLEMENT) & CSA With the UL458 marine supplement THE KID meets very strict vibration, environmental, and thermal requirements.

 CID2 Model is rated Class I, Division 2 Groups A, B, C, and D Temp Code T5.
- The KID model CID2 is rated for use in hazardous locations.
- Built in Arlington, WA USA



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This version of The KID are *only* for use with wind or hydro installations.



The KID Wind/Hydro Charge Controller Instructions IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS - THESE INSTRUCTIONS CONTAIN IMPORTANT SAFETY AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE KID CHARGE CONTROLLER MODEL NUMBERS MNKID-HWB, AND MNKID-HWW.

If you do not fully understand any of the concepts, terminology, or hazards outlined in these instructions, please refer installation to a qualified dealer, electrician or installer. These instructions are not meant to be a complete explanation of a renewable energy system. All installations must comply with national and local electrical codes. Professional installation is recommended.

GENERAL PRECAUTIONS:

WORKING WITH OR IN THE VICINITY OF A LEAD ACID BATTERY, SEALED OR VENTED IS DANGEROUS. VENTED BATTERIES GENERATE EXPLOSIVE GASES DURING NORMAL OPERATION. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT BEFORE SERVICING EQUIPMENT IN THE VICINITY OF LEAD-ACID BATTERIES YOU REVIEW AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

If service or repair should become necessary, contact MidNite Solar Inc. Improper servicing may result in a risk of shock, fire or explosion. To reduce these risks, disconnect all wiring before attempting any maintenance or cleaning. Turning off the inverter will not reduce these risks. Solar modules produce power when exposed to light. When it is not possible to disconnect the power coming from the Photovoltaics by an external means such as a combiner, cover the modules with an opaque material before servicing any connected equipment.

Do Not expose to rain or snow. NEVER attempt to charge a frozen battery. Do not smoke around batteries.

When it is necessary to remove a battery, make sure that the battery bank disconnect breaker is in the off position and that the PV breakers, grid breakers and any other sources of power to the inverter are in the off position. Then **remove the negative terminal from the battery first**.

To reduce risk of battery explosion follow these instructions and those published by the battery manufacturer as well as the manufacturer of any additional equipment used in the vicinity of the batteries.

Avoid producing sparks in the vicinity of the batteries when using vented batteries. Provide ventilation to clear the area of explosive gases. Sealed AGM and Gel batteries do not under normal conditions create explosive gases. Refer to the battery manufacturer's documentation. Be especially cautious when using metal tools. Dropping a metal tool onto batteries can short circuit them. The resulting spark can lead to personal injury or damage to the equipment. Provide ventilation to outdoors from the battery compartment when installing vented batteries such as golf cart T-105 batteries. The addition of a spill tray is also a good idea.

Clean all battery terminals. Very high currents are drawn from the batteries; even a small amount of electrical resistance can result in overheating, poor performance, premature failure or even fire.

Have plenty of fresh water and soap nearby in case battery acid contacts skin, clothing or eyes. Wear complete eye and clothing protection. Always avoid touching eyes while working near batteries. If battery acid or battery terminal corrosion contacts skin or clothing, wash immediately with soap and water. If acid enters the eyes, immediately flood with cool running water for at least 15 minutes and get medical attention immediately. Baking soda neutralizes battery acid electrolyte. Keep a supply near the batteries

Do not work alone. Someone should be in the range of your voice or close enough to come to your aid when you work with or near electrical equipment. Remove rings, bracelets, necklaces, watches etc. when working with batteries, photovoltaic modules or other electrical equipment. Power from an illuminated photovoltaic array makes a very effective arc welder with dire consequences if one of the welded pieces is on your person.

To reduce the risk of injury, connect only deep cycle lead acid type rechargeable batteries. Other types of batteries may leak or burst, causing personal injury or damage.

Wiring methods used shall be in accordance with the Canadian Electrical Code, Part I.

Wiring must be done in accordance with the National Electrical Code Article 690 ANSI/NFPA 70. Use Class 1 wiring methods for field wiring connections to terminals of a Class 2 circuit. Use only 14-10 gauge AWM wire. Select the wire gauge used based on the protection provided by the circuit breakers/fuses. Overcurrent protection must be installed as part of the system installation. Refer to the wiring diagrams provided in this manual for breaker/fuse/GFDI sizes and model numbers.

WARNING: This unit is not provided with a GFDI device. This charge controller must be used with an external GFDI device as required by the Article 690 of the National Electrical Code for the installation location.

Use of attachments or accessories not approved by MidNite Solar could result in damage or injury.

Before making any connections verify that the circuit breakers are in the off position including the inverter breaker. Double check all wiring before applying power.

While every attempt is made to provide accurate documentation, the accuracy of this manual is not guaranteed and may be updated at any time without notice. Installer assumes all responsibility.

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INSTRUCTIONS DE SÉCURITÉ IMPORTANTES

CONSERVER CES INSTRUCTIONS - CES INSTRUCTIONS CONTIENNENT DES INFORMATIONS IMPORTANTES POUR UTILISER LE MIDNITE SOLAR THE KID CHARGE CONTROLLER (RÉGULATEUR DE CHARGE) MODELES MNKID-HWB, AND MNKID-HWW EN TOUTE SÉCURITÉ.

Avant l'utilisez cet appareil lis et comprends toutes les instructions et avertissements.

Si vous ne comprenez pas l'une des concepts ou des instructions contenu dans cette manuel consulter un agent spécialisé.

Si des réparations sont nécessaires contactez MidNite Solar pour plus des informations. Danger de choc électrique et de risque de brulure. Rien à dépanner à l'intérieure du cette appareil. Ne pas ouvrir le couver. Pour toute réparation ou service d'entretien, consulter un agent spécialisé. Il y'a peut-être plusieurs sources d'alimentation dans cette system. Débrancher toutes les interrupteurs avant toute d'entretien où nettoyage.

Ne travaillez pas seul. Quelqu'un devrait toujours être à proximité pour aider en cas d'une situation d'urgence.

Retirer bagues, bracelets, colliers, montres, et quelles choses comme ça. Il y'a risque des blessures graves s'il y'a un court-circuit. Cela pourrait ruiner votre journée.

Cette appareil n'avoir pas un détecteur des fautes de terre. C'est nécessaire de emploi la protection contre des fautes de terre a l'extérieure de cette appareil en conformité avec le National Electrical Code.

Les méthodes de câblage utilisés doivent être conformes au Code canadien de l'électricité, Partie I.

Le câblage doit être fait en conformité avec le National Electrical Code Article 690 ANSI / NFPA 70. Utiliser des méthodes de câblage de catégorie 1 pour les connexions de câblage sur .des terminaux d'un circuit de classe 2. Utilisez uniquement des fils de AWM de calibre 14-1/0. Sélectionnez le type de câble utilisé sur la base de la protection prévue par les disjoncteurs / fusibles.

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Agency Approvals

The KID is ETL listed to:

UL 1741 ISSUE:2010/01/28 ED:2 INVERTERS, CONVERTERS, CONTROLLERS AND INTERCONNECTION SYSTEM EQUIPMENT FOR USE WITH DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES
CSA C22.2#107.1 ISSUED: 2001/09/01 ED: 3 (R2011) GENERAL USE POWER SUPPLIES.

UL 458 ISSUED:2006/04/19 ED:5 REV:2010/03/18
UL STANDARD FOR SAFETY POWER CONVERTERS/INVERTERS AND POWER CONVERTER/INVERTER SYSTEMS FOR LAND VEHICLES AND MARINE CRAFTS.

CSA C22.2#107.2 ISSUE:2001/11/01 ED: 2 BATTERY CHARGERS GENERAL INSTRUCTION NO. 1: 2003/06/01; GENERAL INSTRUCTION NO. 2: 2008/12/01 - (R2011)

WARNING: EXPLOSION HAZARD. DO NOT REMOVE OR REPLACE FUSES UNLESS POWER HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED OR THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE FREE OF IGNITABLE CONCENTRATIONS OF FLAMMABLE GASES OR VAPORS.

WARNING: EXPLOSION HAZARD. DO NOT DISCONNECT WHILE THE CIRCUIT IS LIVE OR UNLESS THE AREA IS KNOWN TO BE FREE OF IGNITABLE CONCENTRATIONS.

AVERTISSEMENT: RISQUE D'EXPLOSION. NE PAS RETIRER NI REMPLACER LES FUSIBLES À MOINS QUE LA PUISSANCE A ÉTÉ DÉCONNECTÉE OU LA ZONE EST CONNUE POUR ÊTRE LIBRE DES CONCENTRATIONS IGNOBLES DE GAZ OU DE VAPEURS INFLAMMABLES.

AVERTISSEMENT: RISQUE D'EXPLOSION. NE PAS DÉBRANCHER LORSQUE LE CIRCUIT N'EST PAS SOUS TENSION OU LA ZONE EST CONNUE POUR ÊTRE LIBRE DES CONCENTRATIONS IGNOBLES.

Type 1 enclosure for indoor use only Enclos de Type 1 pour utilisation à l'intérieur seulement.



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Symbols used in this manual



Ground Symbol Indicates an earth ground connection.



Hazard Symbol Hazardous condition may exist. Caution required.



Included Hardware kit

9-614-1 90° 1/2" snap-in Conduit adapter (2) (Marine hardware kit only)

The parts included in the hardware kit provide great flexibility for installing The KID in many different locations.

There are straight and right angle fittings for flex conduit as well as a strain relief for power wires and a split grommet for data wires.



9-614-2 Straight conduit adapter (2) (Marine hardware kit only)









9-642-1 Heyco M3200 Conduit Adapter 6-092-1 Nut for M3200 Conduit Adapter



9-557-2 Spare Fuse/Jumper (1)



5-179-2 **USB Hole Plug**



9-595-1 Ground lug See page 18



9-154-1 Micro Shunt (2) See page 20

6-022-1 Split grommet

6-002-1 Kepnut for ground lug



5-172-1 **Fuse Cover**







9-317-1 Box Lug, **6-017-1** Lockwasher, **6-140-1** Screw

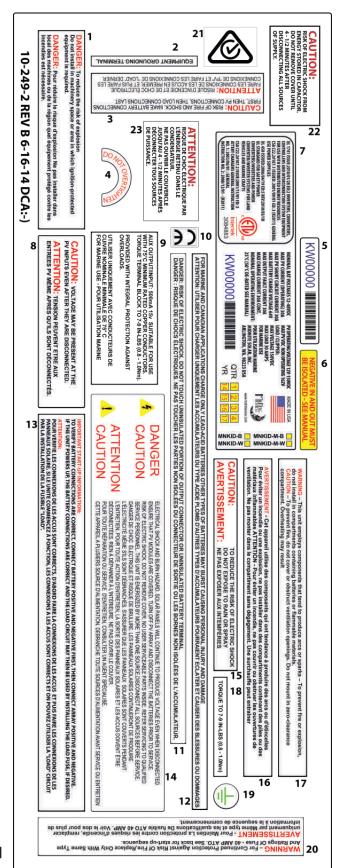
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Sticker Identification

- 1. Warning-ignition protected / CID2*.
- 2. Equipment grounding terminal.
- 3. Connection sequence.
- 4. Do not overtighten.
- 5. Shipping serial number.
- 6. Negatives Separate.
- 7. Model Number.
- 8. Caution Voltage Present.
- 9. Aux Output Ratings.
- 10. CE.
- 11. Don't touch uninsulated.
- 12. Charge battery types.
- 13. Start up info.
- 14. Cautions.
- 15. Protect from rain.
- 16. Arcs and sparks Français.
- 17. Arcs and sparks English.
- 18. Torque.
- 19. Ground Symbol.
- 20. Fuse type.
- 21. C-Tick.
- 22. Stored energy warning English.
- 23. Stored energy warning Français.



Sticker Color and content varies by model

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Sticker Placement

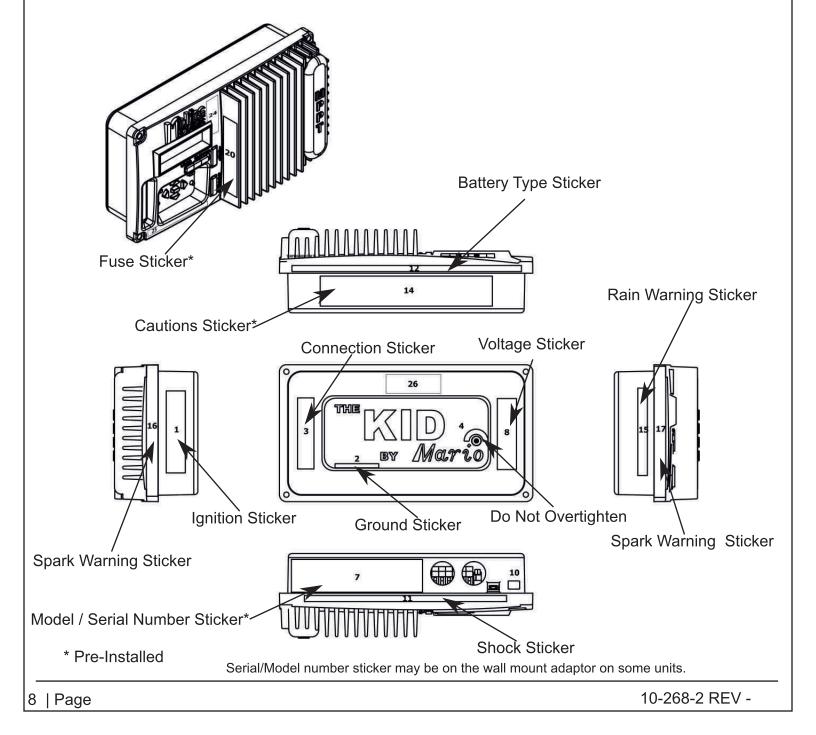
Due to the large number of required warnings it is easy to begin to overlook them.

Some of the warnings are actually quite important and good knowledge for the installer and user.

All required labels are supplied. You will find a label identifier on the previous page.

The placement guide below shows where each label goes. Please take the time to read and understand each label as you place it on the unit.

These warning labels are *Required* by the regulatory standards that The KID has been tested to. Place the stickers where shown. Some Stickers will be applied at the factory. Some are internal and number 5 will be on the shipping box.





Additional Stickers:

already on The KID.

In Canada CSA 22.2 No. 107.1-01 requires certain information to be visible while the unit is in operation.

To satisfy this requirement some additional stickers have been provided for the wall mount adapter. These stickers have the same information as those

Marine Unit 90° conduit adapters

When using both 90° conduit adapters side by side it is necessary to remove 1/8" from the side of each conduit adapter to allow them to fit so closely together.





10-275-1 Sticker Set

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Mounting The KID:

There are three methods of mounting available for The KID:

1. In wall mounting.

This is very useful for RV's, some boats and cabins or just about anywhere you want a built in look. You will need to ensure that the wall is not so thick as to obstruct the wiring that enters through the bottom surface of The KID. The conduit wire holes in the bottom of the casting are 0.28" (7mm) away from the back mounting flange. So if your wall is more than 0.25" (6.35mm) thick, this may interfere with accessing the wiring behind the wall. The conduit nut or adapter also takes away from this narrow wall allowance. You may be able to remove some material from the back surface of the wall to increase clearance.

Mounting holes are designed for #10 (5mm) screws.

The hole cut into the wall must be very accurate. A template is provided at the end of this manual. The back cover of The KID may also be used as a template.

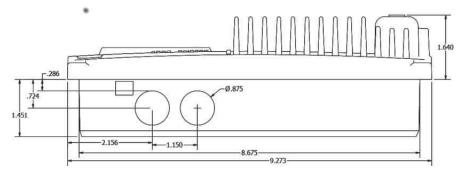
The casting on The KID is 8.65" (219mm) x 4.54" (115mm) with a .400 (10mm) radii on each corner. Mounting holes are designed for a #10 (5mm) screw. The center to center dimensions are 8.763" (222mm) x 4.5" (114mm) The KID has a depth of 1.45" (37mm) from the mounting flange to the back surface.

Important! A minimum of 2" (50.8 mm) free space is required behind The KID after mounting to prevent overheating.



See page 13 for wiring instructions.

The KID mounted in the wall



IMPORTANT!

Do not mount in a zero clearance compartment. Overheating may result. 3" clearance in front of fins is required. The KID produces heat in normal operation. Free flowing ventilation around The KID is required to prevent overheating and shutdown. This is especially true in hot environments.



2. Surface mount.

The Wind KID comes pre-installed into the wall mount bracket. These instructions apply to KIDs that are field installed into the wall mount bracket. The KID can be mounted on a wall using the supplied wall mount adapter. As a minimum you will need to supply ½" strain reliefs to secure the wires to the casting. Regular metal strain reliefs are available at any hardware or electrical store. Metal Romex strain reliefs are designed to clamp down on Romex shielded cable. You will most likely be using individual 8 AWG conductors and therefore the outer sheath to protect the conductors will not be there. Be aware that excessive clamping pressure from the strain relief will bite through the wire insulation and short the conductors to the case. Not only can this cause fires, it is very hard to troubleshoot.



Locate and twist out the knockouts in the bottom section of the wall mount adapter.



Secure the plastic wall mount adapter to the wall using appropriate screws (not provided). Make sure the screws are adequate for the weight of The KID. The wall mount adapter is intended to use #10 (5mm) screws.

Make the wire connections to the terminal block inside The KID, replace the back plate and then assemble The KID to the wall mount adapter. Use the #10 x 3/4" Plastite screws provided to secure The KID to the wall mount adapter.

RIGHT: The KID wall/surface mounted.

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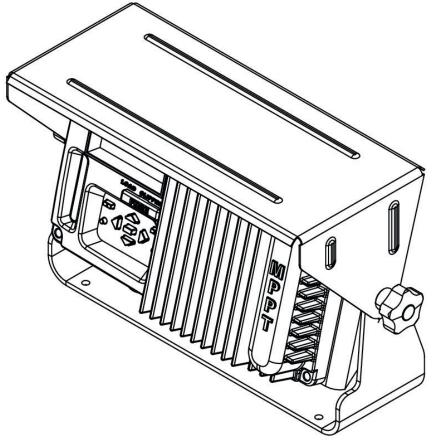
See wiring instructions starting on page 16

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Optional rain Shield.

Required for approved marine applications.



The KID shown with the optional Rain/Drip Shield.

The rain/drip shield is required for code compliant marine applications. The addition of the rain/drip shield does not make The KID weatherproof. Install The KID where it will be protected from rain, spray, snow or other moisture.

The use of Loctite® Threadlocker 222 (Purple) is recommended to prevent the marine mount from loosening due to vibration.

The KID should be rotated no more than 15° to maintain protection from the rain/drip shield.

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The KID Main Electrical Connections

The following pages contain wiring instructions, diagrams and system images.

WARNING: Unlike some controllers The KID uses the Wind/Hydro negative and Battery negative to measure current so they must stay isolated from each other. Wind/Hydro negative must NOT be electrically common in any way with battery negative or undesired operations will occur.

Clipper/Load switching is also done in the negative leg. The positive load connection is not switched.

The only connection on the battery negative input should be the battery negative. The clipper/load and wind/hydro each have their own negative.

Remove the back cover.

Remove the screw on the middle right of the back cover and gently remove the back cover.

These instructions are for use with units that are not using the wall mount bracket. See page 17 for wiring instructions with the wall mount bracket.

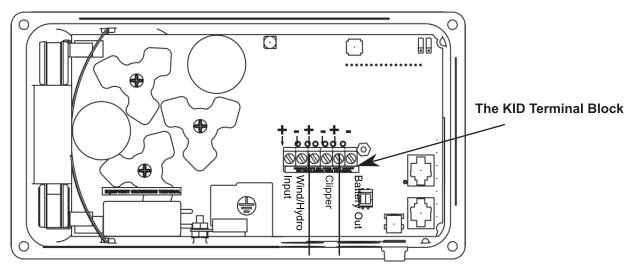
Wind/Hydro Input: Connections from the Kid Clipper output go here.

Load/Clipper: The Load/Clipper Negative connects to the Clip Out terminal in the Kid Clipper. The Load Positive is not used.

Battery Out: Connections to the battery bank go here.

Wind/Hydro Input, Load and Battery connections all require overcurrent protection. Choose breaker size based on your wire size. If the breaker is too high an amperage for your wire size it will offer little or no protection. Torque all connections to 7-9 inch pounds (0.80 - 1.0 Nm).

Install according to all standards and national electric code.



Rear View of The KID with the back cover removed.

Use 75°C Minimum rated copper conductors.

Utiliser uniquement avec conducteurs de cuivre nominale minimale de 75° C



Wiring directly to the KID's internal terminal block.

If the terminal block in the wall mount bracket is not used, connections can be made to the internal terminal block. Centered directly above the ½" conduit holes you will find the main 30 amp 6 position terminal block.

This is where you will connect wind or hydro input, Clipper control conductor, and the battery bank. The battery bank should use 10AWG wire (5.26mm2). Wiring runs from the battery bank should be as short as possible. On the included wiring diagrams you will notice an external 30 amp circuit breaker in series with the battery plus wire. This is very important and is a *requirement* to meet NEC guidelines for overcurrent and disconnect devices. The battery



The KID Internal terminal block

overcurrent device regardless whether it is a circuit breaker or fuse must be rated for the DC voltage rating of the battery bank with a minimum of 5000 Amp interrupt rating.

IMPORTANT! Input, output, and load negatives must be isolated. They are not internally connected.

Inaccurate current readings and damage may result from improper wiring.

Load Positive is internally connected to Battery Positive. Loads are switched in the negative leg. Fuses incorporated into The KID are not to be used as NEC required overcurrent devices. The internal KID fuses are for supplemental protection only. MidNite Solar manufactures numerous circuit breakers and boxes for this use.

The NEC (and common sense) requires a disconnect and overcurrent protection on the input and battery circuits. It is recommended to use #10 AWG wire and 30 amp over current protection for the input and battery wiring. Overcurrent protection can be a fuse or circuit breaker but the use of a breaker is best because you get the required disconnect at the same time.

All Midnite Solar din rail and panel mount breakers are rated for 100% continuous duty. MidNite Solar manufactures Baby, Big Baby, Quad and other enclosure needed for mounting the circuit breakers.

Connect battery positive and negative first. Then connect Input positive and negative. Then apply power by turning on the external battery breaker. If the polarity is correct, the unit will power up. If the battery cables are to be removed, remove power by turning off the external breaker and remove the fuse. Follow this procedure each time the battery is connected/disconnected.

Removing any fuse while it's passing current will cause a spark which will damage the fuse holders!

Breaker sizing:

Breaker size is determined by wire gauge.

14AWG = 15 amp breaker

12AWG = 20 amp breaker

10AWG = 30 amp breaker

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Grounding Lug

Required for UL458 Marine and RV standard compliant installations.

Grounding points are provided inside and on the back of The KID.

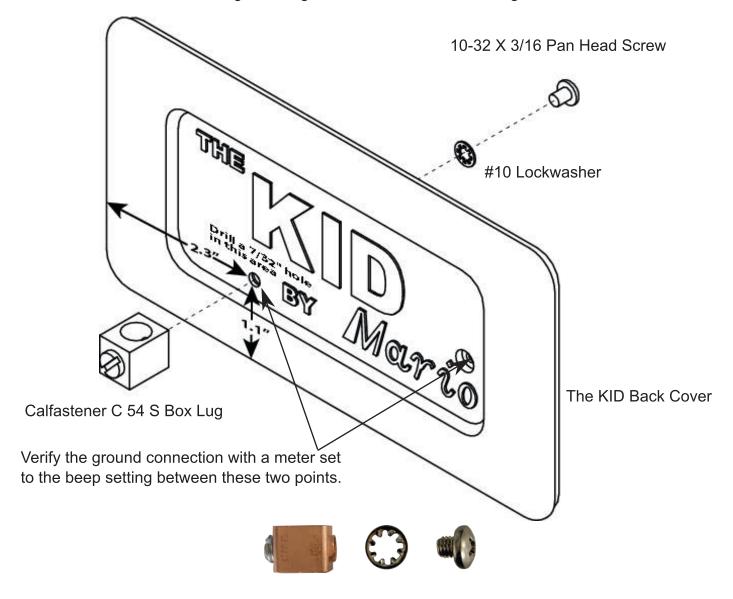
This ground lug is necessary to satisfy the requirements of UL458 Marine and RV standard.

Drill a 7/32" (5.5mm) hole approximately where shown. Make sure that you have room inside the unit for screwhead clearance.

Install the external ground lug as shown below with the hardware supplied.

Be sure to use the #10 lockwasher as shown. This is to cut through any paint overspray that might interfere with making a solid ground connection.

Verify the ground connection using a digital meter with the beep setting. There must be less than 0.1 Ohm of resistance between the ground lug and the back cover mounting screw.



Grounding Lug hardware supplied with The Kid



Aux input/output wiring:

This 3 position terminal block is the aux input/output. Functions such as Auto Gen Start, Low Battery Disconnect or the WhizBang Jr. are connected here.

As new firmware features are added they will be available at http://www.midnitesolar.com/firmwareIndex.php

AUX +

AUX -

WBJR

Small Terminal Block

The top position is **AUX +**. The middle position is **AUX -**. See page 32.

The bottom position is where **the purple wire from the WBJr**. is connected (Optional). See pages 17, 34, 36, 39, 50.

Do not allow excess exposed wire

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Battery temperature sensor (BTS) port

Sample wiring showing PV, Load, Battery, Whizbang Jr.. Wires may exit through either conduit fitting.

Sync port <

Important!

The input and output negative connections *must* remain isolated. Failure to do so will cause inaccurate current readings and possible damage to the unit.

Load Positive is internally connected to Battery Positive. Loads are switched in the negative leg.



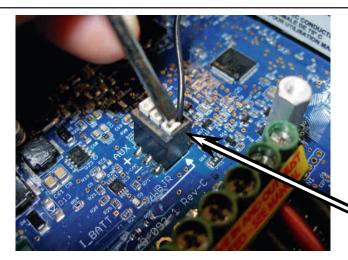
One Heyco part # M3200 strain relief is supplied for the power connections.



One Heyco part # UB-875 bushing is supplied for other connections.

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AUX/ WBJr Terminal Block.

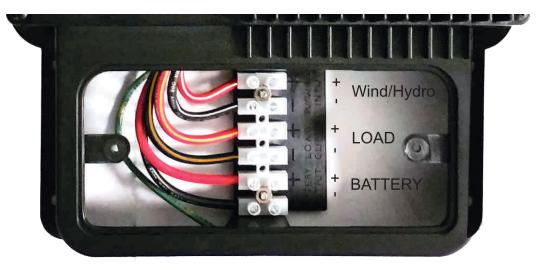
To insert a wire:

Strip 5/16" (8mm) and press into the terminal block until it is seated. Gently tug to ensure the wire is fully installed.

To remove the wire:

Gently press down on the white plastic next to the wire while gently pulling the wire out.

Mounting and Wiring with the wall mount bracket:



IMPORTANT!

Input, output, and load negatives must be isolated. They are not internally connected. Inaccurate current readings and damage may result from improper wiring. Load Positive is internally connected to Battery Positive. Loads are switched in the negative leg.

Wind KIDs come pre-installed in the wall mount bracket. See page 11 if you need to re-install your KID into the wall mount bracket. Select an indoor mounting location that is dry and protected from the elements. Try to keep the wires to the from the Wind or Hydro turbine, battery bank and Kid Clipper as short as possible. Dimensional drawings are provided in this manual to aid in installation. The KID with mounting bracket may also be used as a drilling template.

High quality wall anchors are recommended for securing The KID to the wall.

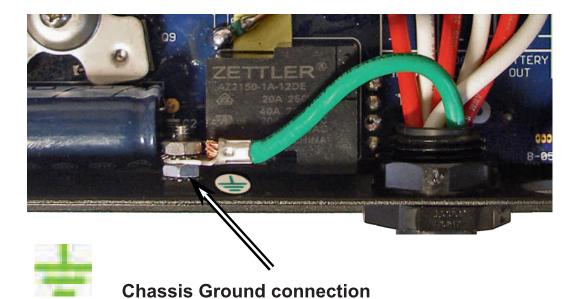
Use caution to avoid any pipes or wires that may be running through the walls.

Unit must be installed in a vertical position.

The terminal block in the housing is factory pre-wired to the internal terminal block inside The KID. Torque field connections to 10 in-lbs (1.13 Nm).

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The screw, nut, and terminal for grounding the chassis are included on all models.

The chassis ground (equipment ground) is required in an NEC compliant system. The chassis of The KID is isolated from all internal KID circuitry. Wall mount versions have a short wire pre-installed in this location. It can be found in the wiring area of the wall mount.

Wiring the rest of the system:

Under the "Wiring diagrams" section of this manual there are diagrams showing different system configurations.

The KID works well with 12, 24, 36 and 48 volt systems.

The reason is that the KID has an absolute maximum output of 30 amps. Power is amps X voltage, so for example, 30 amps output times 14 volts (charge voltage) = 420 watts. A 500 watt turbine would be a good match for a 12V system. So this means when you jump to a 24V battery bank, the KID can process twice the power than if it were connected to a 12V battery. In the case of a 48V battery, The KID can process 4 times the power of a 12V battery. Twelve volt battery systems are used in marine, RV and very small Renewable Energy systems. When possible, it is better to go with a higher voltage battery bank, but that is not always practical in a mobile application.

The use of the Kid Clipper is required to protect the Kid from excessive input voltage. The Kid Clipper is factory set to limit turbine voltage to 149 volts. It functions as a diversion load when the Kid enters Absorb and then Float mode, keeping the turbine loaded and RPMs down at a safe level.

During the Bulk charging phase, the Kid Clipper will help MPPT the turbine output by referencing the customer supplied wind curve. See page XX for more information on entering wind curve data.



MNBTS Battery Temperature sensor



Note:

Do not use the BTS with the stacking jumpers installed.

Battery temperature sensors are employed on many sophisticated chargers in order to compensate the charge voltage based on temperature. If you are in an area where the ambient temperature is relatively stable at 25C, you do not need a BTS all other areas can benefit from having a BTS. The BTS raises the charge voltage when colder than 77 degrees C and decreases the charge voltage above 77 degrees F.

Temp comp is set for lead acid batteries, but is adjustable for other types in the Battery menu.

SYNC MODE:

Sync Mode allows for multiple KIDs all on the same battery bank to work together. Each KID MUST have its own isolated wind or hydro turbine and be wired as the manual shows for a single KID. In this mode all downstream KIDs get there programming and commands from the KID that is selected as the Primary KID. All things like Float and EQ etc are shared between the KID's. See below for jumper settings.







Jumper settings for Sync Mode:

USB Connector do not use in hazardous environment

In the upper right corner of the circuit board there are two positions for placing jumpers. Unless stacking three or more KIDS in Sync mode leave the jumpers off. The jumpers may be placed on one pin to be saved for later use. When stacking 3 or more KIDs in SYNC mode jumpers should be placed in both positions on the second and subsequent KIDs. The jumpers should be oriented side to side (horizontally).

Stacking Ports for Sync Mode:

Connect a standard four conductor phone cable (Sold separately) between the **MASTER** jacks of the first two KIDs.

If additional KIDs are to be connected, connect a standard four conductor phone cable (sold Separately) from the **SLAVE** Jack on the second KID to the **Master** Jack the next KID. Continue in the same manner, **Slave** jack of one KID to the Master Jack of the Next KID in line. Up to 12 KIDs may be connected in this manner.

Serial communications from the stack port:

Firmware can be downloaded to upgrade The KID features at http://www.midnitesolar.com/firmwareIndex.php.



Important! Do Not make or break connections unless in a non-hazardous area.



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Symbolizes the SETUP button being pushed to access sub-menus

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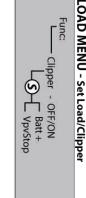
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QUICK START SETUP

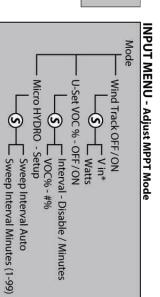


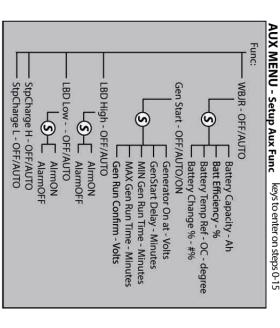
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BATTERY MENU - Adjust Setpoints



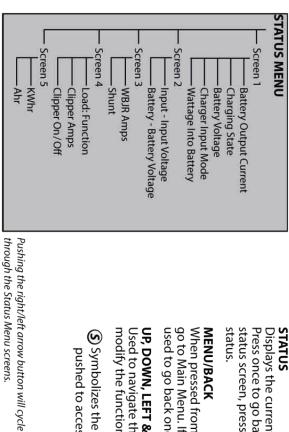




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*Hold Setup - Press UP/Down





DATA - 31 Days of Data COMM MENU - Multiple Units Communicate Mode - PC - KID PC Mode V-Batt Max

MISC MENU - Other Stuff

TECH MENU - Advanced Menu

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-Battery V OFFSET - Volts

Input V OFFSET - Volts

-EndAmp Shunt Sel UP/DOWN - KID/WBJR

LCD Power Mode

NORMAL

CONTRAST

STATUS SCROLL? - ENABLE/DISABLE

B-Temp Max KWhr V-Batt Min Watts Max

Updates Firmware

Press and Hold Left and Right

- BOOTLOADER xx FIRMWARE UPDATE

BOOTLOADER xx FIRMWARE xxxx

Factory Reset

About Kid CC

EDS-LED MODE

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Units

PLAY

BCM NRML BATT H

TEST

OFF

Displays the adjustable parameters of the specific function selected

SAVE

Saves all the modified functions and parameters.

STATUS

Enters the selected menu item

ENTER

PASSWORD

PASSWORD ENABLE - NO/YES

- TIME - 00:00:00

TIMER:

MENU/BACK

go to Main Menu. If inside a menu it is When pressed from Status Menu, it will

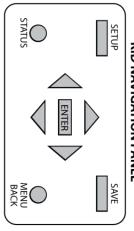
status screen, press twice to go to main Press once to go back to the previous Displays the current Status of the Kid.

Used to navigate the menus, select and UP, DOWN, LEFT & RIGHT ARROWS

used to go back one menu.

modify the functions.

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Initial Set-Up and Use

These instructions are for firmware revision 2003. New features are added frequently.

Now that your KID is all wired up, Wind and Hydro generator in place, battery bank installed, Kid Clipper connected to the Kid and to the turbine it is time to turn things on.

Get a digital meter. Good low cost meters are readily available so there is no excuse to not have one. You will need one if support is ever required.

Check list:

Make sure the Clipper brake is in the STOP position (Avoid applying the brake when the generator is at maximum RPM. NOTE: the brake switch operates by short circuiting the generator output. Verify that your generator is compatible with this type of brake. If not, an alternative means must be utilized to limit turbine RPM during installation and commissioning.).

The Kid battery and input breakers should be off at this time. You didn't have them turned on while wiring, did you?

Measure the battery voltage to insure you don't have a bad battery or any bad connections. Read from Battery plus to battery minus to get your nominal voltage. A 12V battery should read between 11.5 and 13.00. By the way if it does read below 12V, that is not a good sign! Then measure it again at The KID terminals. It should be the same as at the battery. While taking these measurements, verify that the polarity is correct.

If the battery voltage is 11 volts or above and polarity at the Kid connection is correct, it's time to turn on the Kid battery breaker.

"Search Mode": Turn on the battery breaker. If this is the first time it has been turned on, you will see KID Searching. If no other unit is found then The KID will skip right to the Start up menu". If another unit is found The KID will ask the user for the communication mode. The communication cable MUST be connected to the other unit and both units powered up for search mode to find other units in the system.



If your battery bank is 12V, then hit the right arrow key to advance to the next set up selection. If you have a different battery bank voltage than what is displayed, then hit the up or down arrow key until the desired nominal battery voltage is displayed. Once the correct voltage is displayed, hit the right arrow key.

Battery Nominal Voltage is 12V

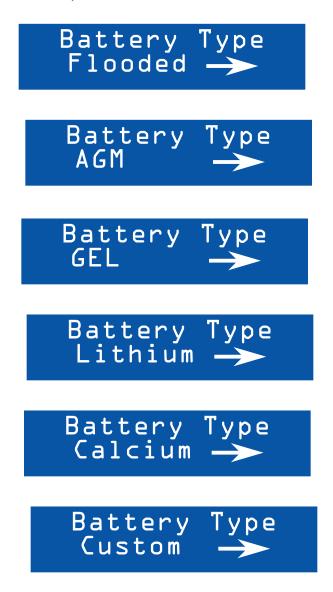
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The next set of screens are where you select battery type. Selecting the applicable battery type sets some important parameters that are specific to different battery chemistries.

Note: These are conservative settings for initial startup and are not a substitute for the actual charging parameters provided by the battery manufacturer.

The first choice is Flooded. Use the up and down arrows to see all the choices listed below.



Stop on the correct battery type and then hit the right arrow key. It then takes you to the absorb voltage screen.

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Battery Absorb 14.3 Volts

When the absorb screen appears, use the up/down arrow to adjust absorb voltage. Consult your battery manufacturer for their recommended settings. There is no such thing as one setting that fits all flooded or AGM etc. batteries. Different manufacturers have different requirements. Differences may be subtle, but The KID is capable of very fine adjustment. There is no reason to guess as to these important settings. When done, hit the right arrow key to go to the Float settings screen.

Battery Float 13.9 Volts —>

Setting the Float voltage is accomplished exactly the same as the previous Absorb voltage. Use the up down arrows to adjust the float voltage according to your battery manufacturer's recommendations. When done, hit the right arrow key to bring you to the Equalize screen.

Battery Equalize
15.0 Volts

Default is 15.0 volts. A Gel or AGM style battery may be damaged by higher voltages, Refer to the battery manufacturer's instructions.

Flooded batteries require periodic Equalizing to reduce sulfation. Consult your battery manufacturer's specifications for a correct EQ setting. If your type of battery does not want to ever be EQ'd, then simply set the EQ voltage to the Absorb voltage.

When done, hit the right arrow key to bring you to the Input Function screen.

Input Function *Wind USet Hydro→

This screen is where you select what type of charge controller you will configure The KID for. Use the up /down arrow keys to select desired mode, then hit the right arrow key. The screen changes to say DATA HAS BEEN SAVED and then switches to the status screen below.

O.O Resting 12.4V Wind OW

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STATUS BUTTON/SCREENS: The KID has several status display screens showing voltage, charge mode, temperatures, currents, and voltages. These screens are displayed any time that the LCD is on and you are not in a menu.

If you press the STATUS button the following screens will be displayed. The first screen is displayed by default and the others are available by pressing the right arrow. The left arrow will step back through the status display screens.

9.5A BULKMPPT 12.7 Wind 257W

The 9.5a as depicted above represents the battery output current.

BULKMPPT shows the state that the charger is in. BULKMPPT means The KID is going all out to put all available energy into the batteries.

The 12.7V represents battery voltage.

The WIND shows it is in Wind mode.

The 257W shows the instantaneous wattage going into the battery.

Push the **right arrow** key to bring up the second status screen shown below.

Input Battery 59.6V 13.5V

This second status screen is showing the input voltage and battery voltage. The input voltage corresponds to the Max power voltage from the input for the present conditions. Push the **right arrow** key to bring up the third **status** screen.

9.5a SOC 93% 372Ah Remaining

This third status screen is showing input from the WBJr. (Sold Separately). In this display 9.5 amps are going to the batteries, State of Charge is 93% and 372 Amp hours remain in the batteries.

Push the **right arrow** key to bring up the fourth **status** screen.

Load: Clipper
O.Oa Off

This fourth status screen is showing what mode the Clipper is in, the current that the load is drawing and whether the Clipper is on or off. Push the **right arrow** key to bring up the fifth **status** screen.

KWhr KID Ahr

When The KID has been idle for five minutes the display will cycle through the status and temperature screens. Each screen will display for a few seconds and then advance to the next. You may press any key anytime to stop auto scrolling. Scrolling may be disabled in the LCD Menu.

This fifth status screen is showing daily power produced in Kilowatt hours and Amphours.



The KID's L.E.D.s.

The KID has several L.E.D.s to indicate modes and errors.



CLP

RFC - *Received Full Charge*. The battery has received a full charge in the last week.

1WK - One Week. It has been more than one week since a full charge.

- IN AGS Mode indicates generator running.

2WK - Two Weeks. It has been more than two weeks since a full charge.

FLT - Float. The battery has reached float stage.

OVR - *Limit*. When blinking fast The KID has reached output current limit. When solid The KID has detected input or battery over voltage in the wind/hydro or the battery terminals. **For more Info see HyperVOC section**.

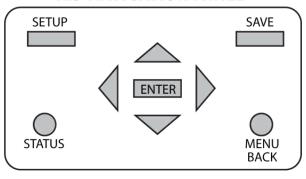
ERR - *Error*. The KID has stopped due to an error.

- In AGS mode indicates generator did not start.

CLP - Clipper On/Off.



KID NAVIGATION PANEL



MAIN MENUS:

The KID has 7 MAIN MENU headings. This section deals with the MAIN MENU headings only. Each of the 7 main menus is explained in detail on the following pages.

Press the MENU/BACK key. This button takes you to all of the Main Menus. Main menus are something you want to become familiar with. No matter where you are at in any menu, you can always get to the Main Menus by pressing the MENU\BACK button once or twice.

You scroll through Main Menus from left to right. The left most Main Menu is as follows:

Adjust Setpoint <Battery> Load

Notice the word BATTERY is in brackets. That means the BATTERY menu will be activated if the ENTER button is pushed.

Battery Menu:

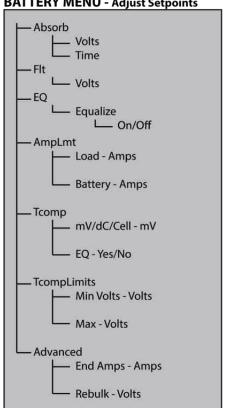
The BATTERY menu allows you to set all battery charging parameters just like what was done in the initial set up.

The BATTERY menu has additional adjustments beyond what the initial set up had. After the first time activating The KID, this is the way to change Battery charging parameters.

The adjustments and settings available inside the BATTERY menu are:

- Absorb voltage and time settings
- Float voltage settings
- Equalize voltage and time settings
- Amp limits for battery charging and load draw
- Temperature compensation adjustability
- Temp comp during EQ
- Advanced settings End Amps and Rebulk

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Manual EQ- Manual Equalize it will do a single EQ cycle on the batteries if enough power is available from the wind or hydro source.

To set EQ parameters:

Press Main Menu and select Battery, Go to EQ and press Enter, Press the SETUP Button to adjust the EQ Voltage and Time.

To start an EQ cycle:

Press Main Menu and select Battery, Go to EQ and press Enter, Select START, The EQ Cycle will begin.

Equalize: MANUAL *OFF START

Battery Charge Stages and Meanings / Setup

Bulk MPPT

This stage of The KID means; that The KID will be putting out as much current as it can trying to charge the batteries to the absorb voltage set point. This is also known as constant current mode.

Absorb

This stage means that The KID will maintain the absorb set point voltage until the batteries are charged or it reaches Float stage. At this stage The KID is not putting out maximum current, as that would increase the battery voltage over the Absorb set point. This is also referred to as constant voltage mode. The battery is considered "full" at the end of the absorb charge cycle.

The absorb time is proportional to the bulk time. (i.e. the time bulk takes to reach the absorb voltage.) The battery it's considered "full" at the end of the absorb charge cycle. Contact your battery manufacturer to determine the appropriate absorb time.

Float

The Float stage follows after the Absorb stage has been completed. At this point the batteries are considered full and The KID's incoming current is adjusted to maintain a full battery as system loads turn on and off.

Equalize

The intent of an equalization charge is to bring all battery cells to an equal voltage by a deliberate overcharge. The goal is to return each battery cell to its optimum condition through a series of voltage controlled chemical reactions inside the batteries.

Not all batteries can be equalized. Consult the battery manufacturer for further details.

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Advanced Battery Settings:

Located under the "Battery" menu a submenu labelled "Advanced".

This menu contains advanced charge settings.

EndAmps:

Best results are obtained when a Whiz Bang Jr. (Sold Separately) is connected to The KID. *End Amps* refers to the amount of current flowing to the batteries. When End Amps are set, this function will act as a secondary termination to the absorb timer.

The End Amps function works by monitoring the current going into the batteries during the absorb stage. As the batteries charge, the current needed to maintain the Absorb voltage set-point reduces and depending on the battery bank type and size there is a current flow level that indicates that the batteries are full. End Amps are that level, if the current flow goes below the End amps setting for one minute then the Absorb cycle will be terminated and it will go to Float stage.

Shunt Selection:

The shunt is used to measure End Amps (Above). Selecting between the internal shunt and the optional Whiz Bang Jr. is found in the "Calibration" menu.

From the main menu **TECH - Calibration**.

Rebulk:

Rebulk is the Voltage set-point at which the Float stage will terminate and return to Bulk. In Float, The KID will return to Bulk if a load placed on the battery bank reduces the battery bank voltage below the Rebulk set point for two minutes.



Func: Clipper
*Off Auto

Load Menu:

The KID Clipper is connected to the LOAD terminals of the main KID terminal block. The Kid Clipper negative is connected to the Load/Clipper negative terminal.

Note that this output is only to be used for input voltage regulation with the Kid Clipper and is **NOT** intended to control an inverter or other large load.

Do Not Connect an Inverter No Matter how small to The KID's Load Output.

Scrolling to the right will bring you to the **LOAD** menu. In the Wind version of the Kid, Clipper Control is the only mode available in the Load menu.

Press the SET UP key to enter the Clipper Setup Menu.



Clipper Setup Menu:

These are the settings that make the Clipper regulate the input voltage to protect the Kid and prevent turbine over speed.

Note: It is important to know the unloaded/ open circuit voltage of the turbine. If not known, start with a conservative value and work up from there to find a balance between proper operation and maximum turbine RPM. Do not exceed 145 volts.

Batt+: this is the voltage that is maintained when the battery reaches Absorb or Float and the Kid is reducing the load on the turbine. The turbine output will be allowed to reach battery voltage plus whatever the Batt+ setting is. For example, if the battery is at Absorb at 57.0 volts and the Batt+ setting is set to 10 volts, then the Kid will regulate the battery voltage to 57.0 and the turbine output to 67.0 volts. This setting needs to be high enough to prevent the Clipper from clipping all the power from the turbine, but not so high as to allow turbine over speed.

VpvStop: this is the voltage at which the Clipper enters full regulation mode by applying all of the turbine output to the Clipper resistors. This applies a braking force to the turbine, lowering RPM and reducing the input voltage to safe levels. This is best described as a Fail Safe mode.

Using the UP/DOWN arrow keys, select the Batt+ voltage and then press Save. Scroll to the right and using the UP/DOWN arow keys, select the VpvStop voltage, then press SAVE.

*Batt+ VpvStop 10.0V 113V



Input Menu:



The **INPUT MENU** is where you turn charging on and off and select charging mode. There are different selections for how The KID will track your wind or hydro system. Selections are below:

Note: Mode must be manually turned ON after changing the mode.

To turn the Mode ON: highlight the OFF under ON/OFF and switch it to ON. Press the Save to save this change. Press menu back when done. Modes will revert to OFF if the up or down arrows are pressed before exiting.

To access the INPUT menu:

Press Menu Back >>Scroll right to INPUT>>ENTER>>UP/DOWN to desired Mode>>Press SETUP>> NOTE: After making any changes, press SAVE to enter the settings into memory.

Wind Track

This mode requires a 16 step wind curve to be entered into the Wind Track Setup menu. The Kid uses this curve for holding the turbine output at the Maximum Power Point for increased efficiency and turbine rpm control. This curve is specific to the turbine output characteristics. Each step consists of two variables, the input voltage from the turbine and the wattage output to the battery.

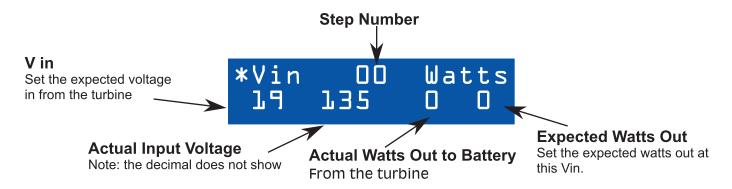
The output wattage is the variable the Kid watches, the input Voltage is the variable it adjusts. As the wattage on the Output side of the controller changes, the input voltage is adjusted to match the curve you programmed.

Step 0 is always the cut in voltage of the Kid and 0 watts. Step 1 is the cut in voltage of the turbine and the expected wattage at cut in. Step 15 is the maximum input voltage (less than 149) and maximum wattage output. The steps in between connect the dots so to speak. Keep in mind that the minimum voltage of step 0 must be above the wakeup voltage of the Kid. This is 4 volts above the Absorb voltage on a 12 volt system and 8 volts above Absorb on a 24 or 48 volt system.

It is recommended to start with an initial curve and then fine tune it over time. Keep in mind that increasing voltage and/ or decreasing wattage on the first few steps can help increase turbine RPM to improve low wind speed output. Decreasing voltage on the last step or two can decrease turbine RPM at high wind speeds.

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In the top line. Using the Left/Right arrow keys, place the * next to Vin.

Using the Up/Down arrow keys, scroll to the desired voltage, shown in the lower left of the display. Using the Right arrow key, place the * next to Watts and using the Up/Down arrow keys, scroll to the desired wattage, shown in the lower right of the display.

Press and hold the SETUP key, use the Up arrow key to go to step1. Enter the voltage and wattage here and all the steps up to 15. Then press SAVE to save the curve.

Press the Menu Back button to return to the Mode menu. When ready, select ON and press SAVE to turn Wind Track mode on.

U-Set Voc

This is a fully manual mode based on a percentage of VOC. The KID will do a voltage sweep to find the VOC, then park at the percentage of the VOC the user has set in the menu. The KID will then hold that voltage for the user selected interval. This mode is useful for constant output voltage sources. Sweep Interval time can be set from Disabled on up to 99 minutes and Voc% is adjustable from 100% down to 30%.

*Interval VOC% Disabled 100%

Micro Hydro

This mode is intended for use with micro hydro systems. When the KID first turns on after the input voltage goes above battery voltage, it will sweep from that open circuit voltage down to battery voltage, finding the maximum power point voltage (MPP Voltage) along the way. Then it will return to that newly found voltage. After the original turn-on sweep, the KID will do mini sweeps automatically or at user adjustable time intervals. Micro Hydro mode has two user adjustable sweep settings, Auto mode and Sweep Interval. Sweep Interval is the time between mini-sweeps, adjustable from 1 to 99 minutes, and sweeps around the most recent MPP Voltage.



Press Save, then press menu back when done. Modes will revert to OFF if the up or down arrows are pressed before exiting.

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Press the right arrow to advance to the **AUX MAIN MENU**.

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The AUX menu is where you set up various auxiliary input and output functions such as Auto Genstart, Low Battery Disconnect and the Whizbang Jr. Battery status monitor.

Note: Mode must be manually turned ON after changing the mode.

To turn the Mode on highlight the OFF under ON/OFF and switch it to ON. Press the Save button to save this change. Press menu back when done. Modes will revert to OFF if the up or down arrows are pressed before exiting.

FUNC: WBJR OFF/AUTO - Enable/Disable/Setup the WBJR

- From the Status Menu: Press Menu Back
- Scroll to the Right and select AUX and Press Enter
- Select FUNC:WBJR
- Press the Right arrow button to Auto.
- Press the Save Button
- Press SETUP button to set the Battery Capacity. scroll to the right to set Battery Efficiency.
 Scroll right to set the Battery Temp Ref.
 Scroll right to set the Battery Change %.
- Press the Save Button.

See page 34 for more information.

FUNC: Gen Start OFF/AUTO/ON - Enable/Disable/Setup Auto Generator Starting

To use Gen Start:

- From the Status Menu: Press Menu Back
- Scroll to the Right and select AUX and Press Enter
- Select FUNC:Gen Start
- Press the Right button to Auto or *ON
- Press the Save Button
- Press SETUP button to set the battery voltage threshold to start the generator.
 - scroll to the right to set the Gen Start delay.
 - scroll to the right to set the Gen On At Volts.
 - Scroll right to set the Min Gen Runtime.
 - Scroll right to set the Max Gen Runtime.
 - Scroll right to set the Gen Run Confirm Voltage.
- Press the Save Button

FUNC: LBD High OFF/AUTO - Enable/Disable/Setup Low Battery Disconnect High

- From the Status Menu: Press Menu Back
- Scroll to the Right and select AUX and Press Enter
- Select FUNC:LBD High
- Press the Right button to Auto.
- Press the Save Button
- Press SETUP button to set the AlrmON Voltage. scroll to the right to set AlrmOFF Voltage.
- Press the Save Button.

Important!
Do Not Exceed 12VDC
at 100 mA Relay Drive.
Use Normally Open (N.O.)
Contacts.



FUNC: LBD Low OFF/AUTO - Enable/Disable/Setup Low Battery Disconnect High

- From the Status Menu: Press Menu Back
- Scroll to the Right and select AUX and Press Enter
- Select FUNC:LBD Low
- Press SETUP button to set the AlrmON Voltage. scroll to the right to set AlrmOFF Voltage.
- Press the Save Button.
- Press the Right arrow button to Auto.
- Press the Save Button

StpCharge H:

When enabled and High signal is sampled in the Aux terminal the Unit will Stop Charging until the High signal is sampled Low.

StpCharge L:

When enabled and Low signal is sampled in the Aux terminal the Unit will Stop Charging until the Low signal is sampled High

OTHER STUFF

AUX <MISC> COMM

Press the right arrow key to advance to the MISC menu. See page 40 for more information.

The MISC menu allows adjustment for:

LCD - Backlight and contrast controls can be adjusted with the up/down arrow buttons. **See page 40for more information.**

Temp - Temperature of CPU, FET and Battery in degrees C. The temp can be changed from degrees C to degrees F using the setup button.

LEDS - Sets behavior of front panel LEDs. See page 41 for more information.

Timer - Shows approximate time of day.

Password - Enable/Disable Password. See page 40 for more information.

Press the right arrow key to advance to the **COMM** menu.



The COMM menu is where sync mode is setup.

Note: On earlier units *Sync* Mode was known as *Follow Me*.

Sync Mode: When the master KID changes state, Absorb, Time, Float or Equalize it sends a signal downstream to the next one to follow and change state. Then the second one sends the same message downstream and so on until all units are in the new state. There is no limit to how many controllers can be connected in Sync mode.

PC- KID PC Mode: Use this mode with a serial terminal program in a PC to display the following data:

•Displayed Battery Voltage •Displayed Input Voltage •Displayed Output in Watts

•KWHs produced

•Amp Hours Produced •Battery Temperature

Whiz Bang Jr. Current

•Battery state of charge •Whiz Bang Jr. Amp Hours

Remaining

Select and save PC Comm to enable this mode. Data is sent once a minute. Data is comma separated raw decimal format and must be divided by 10 to display correctly.

Press the right arrow key to advance to the **DATA** menu.

Data Menu:

Displays 31 days of saved data. After 31 days, stored memories are overwritten leaving the last 31 days. Recorded data includes Max Battery Voltage, Min Battery Voltage, KWH produced, Max Watts, and Max Batt Temp.

Press the right arrow key to advance to the **TECH** menu. The TECH menu is for tech savvy individuals.



EndAmp Shunt Sel: - Selects between The KID's internal shunt and the (optional) WBJr's shunt.

To adjust the settings:

- Press Menu Back
- Scroll to the right then select TECH and press Enter
- Select Calibrate and press Enter
- Press the right arrow until EndAmp Shunt Sel is on the top line of the LCD
- Use the Up and Down buttons to adjust to the desired setting
- Press the SAVE button to keep the settings.

Reset to factory defaults. Setting things back to factory defaults is useful after your brother in law was observed messing with all the buttons and you can't trust what he did. So, reset and start over entering all the settings you know you want.

Firmware Update.

To do a firmware update on The KID you will need the following:

- A laptop or PC with Windows XP/7/8/8.1/10 or Linux. Mac is not supported. If using Win 8 or newer use the Win 8 updater. Disable Anti Virus.
- A USB Mini-B cable (not included).

Procedure:

- Go to http://www.midnitesolar.com/firmwareIndex.php and download the latest firmware file.
- Save the file to a known location on your PC (eg. Desktop \).
- Plug in the USB cable to The KID connector located on the bottom of the unit.
- Plug the other end into an available USB port on the PC.

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- Go to MAIN Menu on The KID And scroll to the right to the TECH menu and press Enter.
- Press the down arrow key until Firmware Update is selected and press Enter.
- After 5 sec the unit will turn off and display FIRMWARE UPDATE.
- A new empty drive will appear in your PC, open it.
- Drag the downloaded file to this empty drive.
- The first green light should start blinking on The KID and "UPDATING...' should appear on the second line.
- It will take up to 2 minutes to update The KID.
- The unit will reboot with new updated firmware.
- Unplug the USB cable.

If the update process does not complete, power down The KID, and wait 60 seconds. Hold the SETUP button while powering up The KID. This will put The KID into update mode. The KID is now ready to retry the firmware update.

About KID CC:

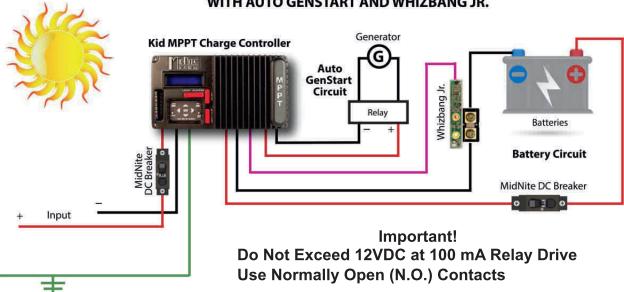
Shows the current BootLoader and FirmWare versions.



Auto Gen Start

IMPORTANT: DO NOT USE AS WIRING DIAGRAM!

KID 30A MPPT CHARGE CONTROLLER SIMPLE FLOW DIAGRAM WITH AUTO GENSTART AND WHIZBANG JR.



NOTE: This is not intended as a wiring diagram and is used only to display basic application concepts. For actual wiring diagrams go to: http://www.midnitesolar.com/kid_documents



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Auto Gen Start (AGS) This function will try to start the Generator and while monitoring battery

voltage to assure the generator is charging. If not, it will signal the

generator to shut down to conserve fuel.

Generator On at: Battery voltage level that will trigger the signal to start the generator.

GenStart Delay: Delay in minutes that the battery voltage must be below the

"Generator On at" setting ,To signal the generator to start.

MIN Gen Run Time: Minimum time in minutes the generator will run after Auto Gen Start.

MAX Gen Run Time: Maximum time in minutes the generator will run after Auto Gen Start.

Gen Run Confirm: When the battery voltage has dropped below the set point and the delay

time has been satisfied The KID will begin the process of starting the generator. The first step it takes is to temporarily disable the input charging so it can monitor the battery voltage to verify the generator actually started. This is called The "qualifying time". The KID will then watch the battery voltage to verify that it has risen and confirm that the generator has started. This is called the "Gen Run Confirm Voltage".

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Setting up The KID for use with a Whiz Bang Jr. (Sold separately)

State Of Charge:

The KID, in conjunction with the Whiz-Bang JR. creates a very accurate battery State Of Charge meter within The KID. There is some set-up before using the WBJr and it will be necessary to enter values for Battery bank size in Amp-Hours, battery efficiency, Battery temperature compensation reference and percentage of change per degree C. Refer to the battery manufacturer's documentation for these values.

After installing the Whiz-Bang Jr. one full charge cycle (until float is reached) is required before accurate readings may be obtained.

To enable the WBJR on The KID:

Press Main Menu button.

Scroll to the right, Until Aux is in shown in brackets, **<AUX>** Press Enter.

When the display shows FUNCTION: press the up or down arrow button until WBJR is selected.

Press the Right button until the * is next to Auto.

Press the SETUP button to setup the SOC portion.

Press Save to save the changes.

Entering battery bank information:

Battery Capacity: This is the first screen after you press the SETUP button. Battery Capacity per battery can be obtained from your battery manufacturer's spec sheet. This setting is the total capacity of the battery bank and will largely depend on how your battery bank is designed.

Use the up and down arrows to adjust the capacity of the battery bank. Press the Right arrow to go to the next set up.

Battery Efficiency:

Batteries are not 100 percent efficient and some loss does occur. This setting will improve accuracy by taking this inefficiency into account. Battery efficiency will be different between Manufacturers and will lower with age, 94% is a good starting point for most battery banks. Your battery bank will reach 100% charge as soon as it hits float stage.

Use the up and down arrows to adjust the battery efficiency of the bank

Press the Right button to go to the next set up.

Press Save to save the changes.

Battery Temperature Reference: This is a reference temperature used as a starting point for temperature based charging voltage adjustments. This is the temperature at which the battery manufacturer considers the temperature compensation to be zero, usually this will be 25°C, but it may vary by manufacturer and battery type.

Use the up and down arrows to adjust the battery temp ref of the bank.

Press the Right button to go to the next set up.

Press Save to save the changes.

Battery Change %: The change of battery capacitance in percentage above and below of the temperature reference, usually will be 1%.

Use the up and down buttons to adjust the battery capacity change percentage.

Press the SAVE button to save the whole set up.

Press the Status button and then scroll to the right to view the WBJR SOC screen.

This screen will show you the Output current going straight to the batteries after the loads, also the SOC in percentage of the battery bank and also the Amp hours remaining on the batteries.

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Password protected settings:

UL standards mandate that only qualified people be allowed to change critical settings. We have determined that people that have read and understood this much of the manual are qualified to change critical settings.

Changing some of the settings available on The KID can result in hazardous conditions. If you do not fully understand these functions and features contact your dealer.

Password:

Settings such as Battery, input, load settings, calibration and Aux settings are password protected. When the password is entered it allows 10 min for the user to adjust protected settings.

Entering secure mode:

Press Main Menu.

Select MISC and press Enter,

Select Password and press Enter,

Select Yes.

When prompted, the Password is 142.

Press Save to save the changes.

LCD Power Saving modes:

There are 2 different LCD Power settings that can be chosen by the user, they function as follows: **ECO**: Eco mode is the default mode. This mode will turn off the Backlight after 5 min of no user input on the keypad. Turning the backlight off helps reduce the idle power of The KID by 1/3 of a watt. This mode will also return the menus to the Main Status menu after 5 minutes has elapsed. To turn the backlight back on, simply press any key and the LCD will come back on.

NRML: Normal LCD mode keeps the Backlight Setting as set by the user, so if the Backlight is set to on the Backlight will stay on. The backlight draws 1/3 watt, so it isn't a big power drain to leave it on.

Scrolling Status Screens: When The KID has no user input for 5 minutes the Screen will automatically go to the status Screen and scroll though all status screens one by one every 3 seconds or so. It was designed so it would not interfere with the user setting the unit parameters, but if this is not what you want your unit to do you can always disable this feature:

- Press Menu Back and scroll to the "MISC" menu and press Enter
- Select "LCD" and press Enter and Scroll to the right to select "Status Scroll?"
- Press the down key to Disable
- Scroll to the left and select the "LCD Power Mode"
- Press Save .

Backlight/Contrast:

To adjust the backlight and contrast of the LCD, press the SETUP button in the LCD Power Savings

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Screen. Use the up and down buttons to adjust them.

LED MODE:

Located under the MISC menu, the LED mode can be set to several different modes, some useful and some just for fun.

NRML: this mode will employ all the available LEDs as indicators, The top 3 LEDs refer to the Battery Capacity Meter function on The KID that indicates to the user the current battery status at a glance . The FLT LED will come on when the unit goes to Float. It will blink Slowly when the unit goes to Float MPPT. This mode will also use the Warning (OVR) LED to indicate when there is an anomaly on the unit, such as Over Voltage or Current Limit. The ERR LED is also active to indicate Faults on the system. The CLP LED will come on when the clipper is active and it will blink to indicate a warning on the load circuit.

BCM: The BCM function on the LEDs will only employ the top 3 BCM LEDs and the OVR and ERR LEDs

RICK: this mode is also known as minimal LED usage, since it will only use the Warning and Error LEDs.

PLAY: this mode is great for special occasions where you want to Show off your KID's fun side, it will trail the LEDs from top to bottom as long as this mode is selected.

TEST: Useful to verify that all the LEDs are functioning.

OFF: will keep the LEDs OFF, except for the ERROR LED.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Max Output Current	30 Amps @ 25°C*
Max Input Short Circuit Current	30 Amps DC
Max Output source Backfeed	30 Amps DC
DC Output Voltage	12-64 VDC
Input Battery Voltage	12, 24, 36, or 48 VDC
Input Battery Voltage Range	9-64 VDC
Operating Temperature Range	

^{*}Derated to 20 Amps @ 40°C.

Fuses / Overcurrent protection.

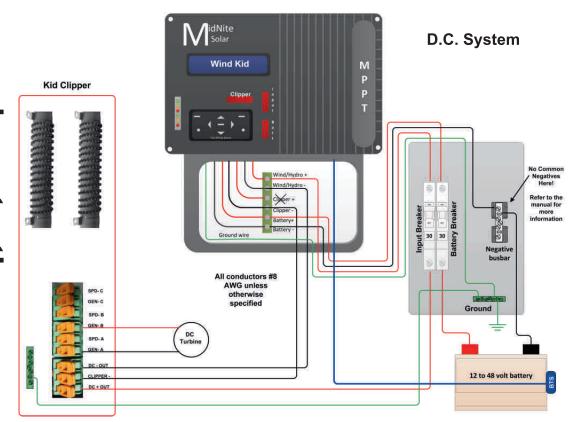
Replace fuses with the same type and ratings: Type ATC 32V 30 Amps Max.

The fuses provided in The KID are for supplemental protection. External overcurrent protection is required as part of the installation.

Caution! Never remove or replace a fuse without turning off all power to the Kid. Failure to do so may result in burnt or pitted fuse holders.



The KID Wind/Hydro Charge Controller Instructions Wiring Diagrams



Important!

Both the input and output negatives must be connected to their own separate terminals.

Tying them together will cause inaccurate current

readings and possible damage to the unit.

Important!

Kid Clipper Wind Kid No Common Negative Here! Negative Here! Negative Here! Negative Here! Negative Here! See B See B

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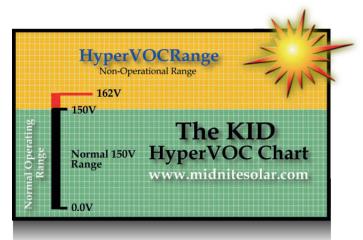
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HyperVOC

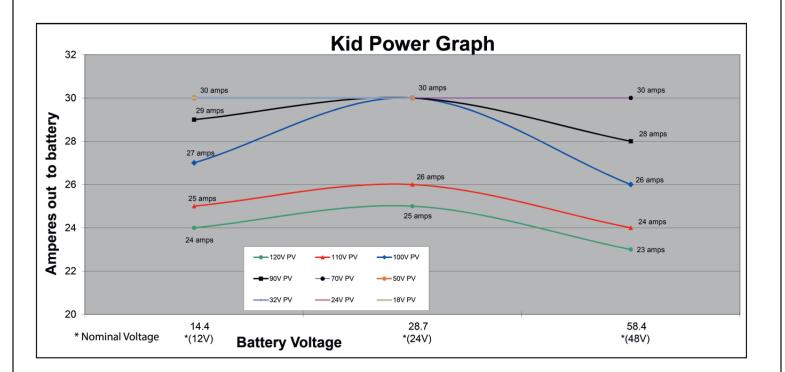
Why do you need HyperVOC?

Hyper VOC is a non-operational buffer between The KID Charge Controller's maximum operating input voltage of 151 and the absolute maximum of 162.

When the input voltage is between 151V and 162V, The KID is unable to charge the battery bank, but it has not been harmed by over voltage. Any voltage above 162V will result in severe damage to the charge controller which is not covered by warranty. Hyper VOC, coupled with a properly designed system, will protect your charge controller from being over voltaged.



Above: HyperVOC voltage limits above normal operating voltage.





Example of an available Pre-Wired System

Pre-wired system with integrated KID charge controller.



Accessories

Below are optional accessories and accessory kits.



MNKID-BREAKER-30A

30 Amp replacement circuit breaker for The KID.

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Accessories Continued



MNHydrometer

Easy to use battery hydrometer for checking the specific gravity on all "Flooded" style batteries. Size: 5.25"L x 4.25"W x 1.5"D



MNBCM / MNBCMS: Battery Status Monitor

- 1. LEDs that correspond to battery voltage
- 2. Voltage accuracy +- .05%
- 3. Auto sensing for 12, 24, 36, and 48 volt batteries
- 4. LED indicators show if batteries have received a full charge recently, longer than one week or longer than two weeks
- 5. Ideal for "at a glance" readings golf carts, forklifts, etc.

 Description: Battery Capacity Meter

Size 4.5"L x 3.75"W x 1"D Box Size 5"L x 4"W x 2"D Weight 1 Lb.



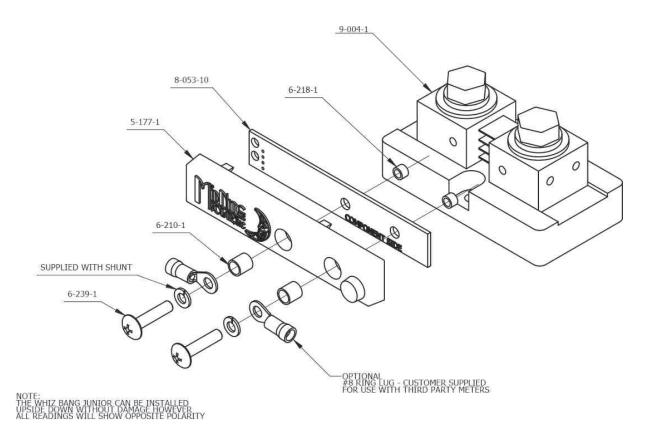
Accessories Continued

Whiz Bang Jr.:

The Whiz Bang Jr. is designed to work with The KID to give accurate battery status. The Whiz Bang Jr. keeps track of Amp-Hours going into and out of the battery. Simple one-wire installation.

500A 50mV Shunt not included.





The Whiz Bang Jr can also provide shunt access for co-operative products.



Optional Circuit Breakers and Accessories



Big Baby

The Big Baby is an aluminum powder coated breaker enclosure that holds four DINRail breakers.

More circuit breakers and

accessories available at

www.midnitesolar.com



MNDCGFP-63



Quad

The Quad is an aluminum powder coated breaker enclosure that holds four panel mount breakers.

63 amp 150VDC din rail mount DC ground fault protector (NRTL listed breaker assy).



MNEPV Breaker

150VDC din rail mount breaker (13mm wide). MNEPV evaluated by ETL to 150VDC. 150VDC ETL listed in the US and Canada 10,000 AIC.



MNEDC Breaker

DC Panel mount breaker available up to 100 amps.

MNSHUNT

500A 50mA shunt used with WBJr



Warranty

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MIDNITE SOLAR INC. The Wind KID MIDNITE MPPT CHARGE CONTROLLERS PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS Operating Input Voltage 150VDC Nominal Battery Voltage 12V through 48V **Maximum Output Current** 30A Auto Gen-Start YES Class 1 Div 2 Certified Optional Open Circuit Voltage VOC 150VDC **Charging Regulation** Bulk, Absorb, Float as well as Equalization **Battery Voltage Range Equalization Charging** Adjustable Voltage and Duration **Battery Temp Compensation** Automatic when BTS is installed, Adjustable mV per degree C per 2 volt cell **Programmable Auxiliary Control Output** 1 - I/O communication port Whizbang Jr. Communication Port YES Status Display LCD plus status LEDs **Networking Cabling** Standard 4 conductor phone cable, no hub needed Communications RS232 openly published protocols and USB Wind & Hydro Standard Min. of -40C to 50C - Controller will auto derate **Operating Temperature** as temperature rises above 25C **Environmental Rating** Indoor IP52 type 1, Conformal coated for harsh environments Conduit Knock Outs Warranty 5 Year MNKID-HWB Weight 6 Lbs **Dimensions** 9 1/4"L x 5"H x 3 5/16"W (23.5CM x 12.7CM x 8.4CM) **Shipping Dimensions** 12"L x 8"H x 6"W (30.48CM x 20.32CM x 15.24CM) **Options** 3 ft network cable, external load, boat mount bracket Certifications ETL for US & Canada, CE Certified, FCC Class B, CSA C22 #107. **Battery Types** Flooded, AGM, Gel, Calcium SMF, Lithium BMS, Custom UL1741 & UL458 (Marine Supplement) With the UL458 marine supplement, THE KID meets very strict vibration, environment, and thermal requirements

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* The MNKID-C1D2 is rated -40 to 40°C



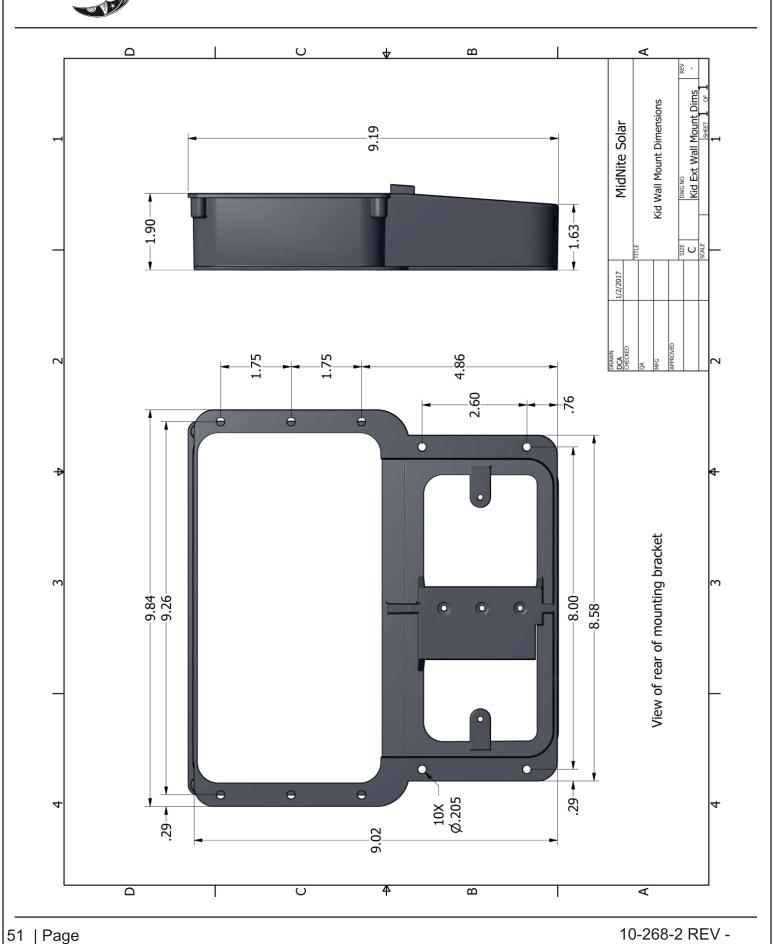
Glossary

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Absorb A charging state where the battery is held at the absorb volt setting for a time	
set by the user. AGSAutomatic Generator Start	
Amp A measurement of electrical current.	
Amp-Hour A measurement of electrical power. Amps x Hours.	
Aux Auxiliary port for input or output. Used to control relays, WbJr. input etc.	
AWG American Wire Gauge.	
BATTBattery or Battery Bank.	
BTSBattery Temp Sensor.	
BulkA charging state where all available power goes to the battery until it reaches	
the Absorb voltage setting.	
Clipper A controlled dump load to help prevent overcharging / turbine overspeed.	
EMI Electro Magnetic Interference. Electrical noise.	
EQ Equalization charge. An extended charge to match charge level on battery cell	
FirmwareUpdatable control software.	
FloatA charging state to maintain a fully charged battery.	
GFIGround Fault Interrupter - Detects ground faults and opens the circuit.	
LEDLight Emitting Diode.	
LVDLow Voltage Disconnect.	
OVDOver Voltage Disconnect.	
MPPTMaximum Power Point Tracking. Adjusts loading on the wind or hydro	
generator for optimum power yield. The KID employs MPPT.	
MinusNegative battery or input connection or Negative load connection	
PlusPositive power connection.	
PVPhotoVoltaic.	
PWMPulse Width Modulation. How some charge controllers maintain regulation.	
Rebulk The Voltage set-point at which the Float stage will terminate and return to Bulk	
SyncA way to connect multiple KIDs on different arrays to charge one battery bank.	
Temp Comp An automatic adjustment to the charging voltage based on battery temperature	
Three Stage Charging A charging scheme for batteries with three levels of charging.	
Three Stooge Charging Oh, a wise guy, eh? Nyuh, Nyuh, Nyuh.	
VOCVolts Open Circuit. The unloaded generator output voltage.	
Watt Instantaneous power. Amps x Volts = Watts.	
Watt-Hour A measurement of electrical energy, Watts x Hours = Watt-Hours.	
WbJrWhiz Bang Junior - An optional current sense board mounted to	
customer's 5004/50mV shunt	

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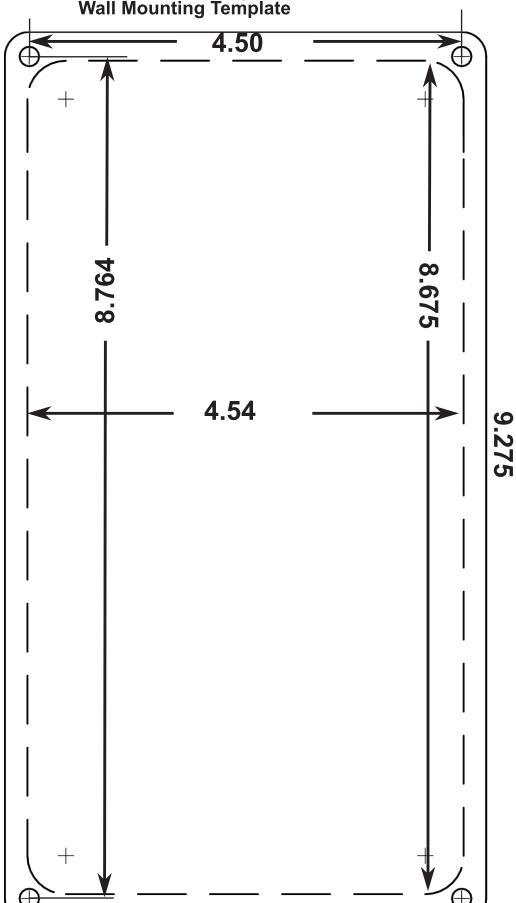
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Wall Mounting Template



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To use this template

Other tapes are more likely to stick to the paint when they are removed. Remove all tape within 24 hours. Remove template from the manual and secure to the wall with a low tack tape such as scotch or masking tape Make sure that the template is flat and not crooked.

Photocopies of the template may not be accurate and should be avoided Put The KID in place and secure with appropriate hardware cut-out area. Use a large drill inside the cut-out area to create an entry point for the saw. Use a drywall or jig saw and cut along the dotted lines using caution especially around the corners. A hole saw may be used in the inside corners. Drill the four corner holes with the smallest drill that will work with your hardware. Use caution to avoid breaking through to the large

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