

Application Note – Efficiency of S-Series and P-Series Power Optimizers

Version History

- Version 6, May 2023 Added S650B Power Optimizer Efficiency Graph.
- Version 5, January 2023 Addition of S1200/S1201, S500B efficiency graphs.
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Introduction

Power Optimizer efficiency is the ratio between the output power and the input power of the Power Optimizer. It is also known as DC/DC conversion efficiency. Efficiency is defined using the following parameters:

- Maximum (Peak) efficiency the highest DC/DC conversion efficiency of the Power Optimizer.
- Weighted efficiency. This value is the weighted average DC/DC conversion efficiency. It provides a more accurate representation of the Power Optimizers' operating profile. The weighting formula takes into account daily and yearly changes in environmental conditions and is calculated by measuring the efficiency for different loads, input voltages and string conditions. Weighted efficiency of Power Optimizers is calculated using the same formula as that used for inverters.

The efficiency specifications of S-Series and P-Series power optimizers are:

- Maximum Efficiency: 99.5%
- Weighted Efficiency: 98.8%

The graphs below represent S-Series and P-Series Power Optimizer efficiency under typical operating conditions.



S440/S500



S500B



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S650B



S1200/S1201



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Safety Symbols Information

The following safety symbols are used in this document. Familiarize yourself with the symbols and their meaning before installing or operating the system.



WARNING

Denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure that, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in injury or loss of life. Do not proceed beyond a warning note until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.



CAUTION!

Denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure that, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage or destruction of the product. Do not proceed beyond a caution sign until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.

... NOTE

Denotes additional information about the current subject.



IMPORTANT SAFETY FEATURE

Denotes information about safety issues.

Disposal requirements under the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) regulations:



NOTE

Discard this product according to local regulations or send it back to SolarEdge.

Support Contact Information

If you have technical problems concerning SolarEdge products, please contact us:



<u> https://www.solaredge.com/service/support</u>

Before contact, make sure to have the following information at hand:

- Model and serial number of the product in question.
- The error indicated in the SetApp application, LCD screen, monitoring platform or by the LEDs.
- System configuration information, including the type and number of modules connected and the number and length of strings.
- The communication method to the SolarEdge server if the site is connected.
- The product's software version as it appears in the ID status screen.