

## Tesla™ TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System

Pure Sine Wave Inverter User Manual



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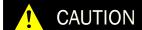
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Improper use or failure to follow instructions in this user manual can result in unit damage and/or injury or death by electrical shock.

Any attempts to open or examine the inside of the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System via a tool or device (borescope, probe, etc.) can result in unit failure and/or injury by electrical shock. This Inverter System is maintenance free and should not be opened or disassembled for any reason.

Always protect the unit from short circuit.

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## Abbreviations and Symbols

Abbreviations that may be used within the text, headings and titles of this manual.

LIST OF ABBRE	VIATIONS
<b>Abbreviation</b>	Definition
ac	Alternating Current
AFT	Airflow Technology
AWG	American Wire Gauge
amp or A	Ampere
cont	Continuous
°C	Degree Celsius
°F	Degree Fahrenheit
dc	Direct Current
EFF	Efficiency
ft	Feet
FWD	Forward
GPU	Ground Power Unit
Hr	Hour
Hz	Hertz
kg	Kilograms
kHz	Kilohertz
kW	Kilowatts
LED	Light Emitting Diode
max	Maximum
ΜΩ	megaohm
min	Minimum
MPU	Micro Power Unit
NEMA	National Electrical Manufacturers Association
Ω	ohm
PF	power factor
PFC	power factor correction
rms	root-mean-square
THD	Total Harmonic Distortion
TMDE	Test, Measurement, & Diagnostic Equipment
UAV	Unmanned aerial vehicle
Vac	Volts, Alternating Current
Vdc	Volts, Direct Current

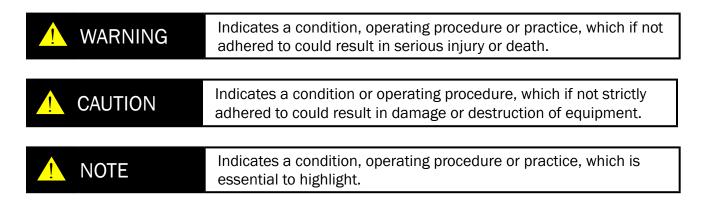
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## Section 1 – Safety Review

## 1.1 - Safety Notices

Safety notices appear throughout this manual to alert the user to important information regarding proper installation, operation, maintenance and storage of the unit. These notices, as illustrated below, contain a key word that indicates the level of hazard and a triangular icon that indicates the specific type of hazard.



## 1.2 - Symbols

The following symbols will appear within the warning triangles to alert the user to the specific type of danger or hazard.

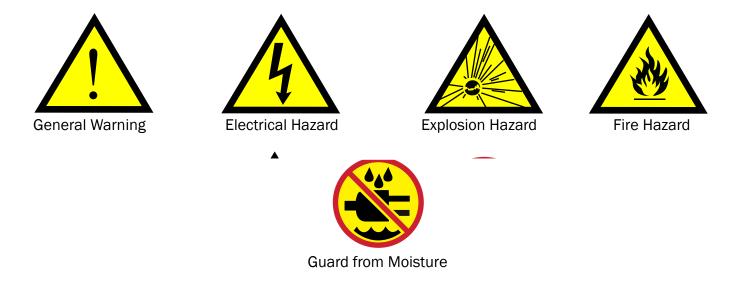


Figure 1.2.1 – Different types of hazard and caution symbols

#### 1.3 - Hazards



## **WARNING**

#### **Shock Hazard Potential**

Severe injury or death from electrical shock will occur if either the user or the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is wet while operating the unit. Be sure to disconnect power from the AC Output Cable if the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System has come into contact with water. If the AC Output Circuit Breaker has tripped due to water infiltration, DO NOT try to reset circuit breaker until Inverter System has dried completely.



## **WARNING**

#### **Shock Hazard Potential**

Severe injury or death from electrical shock can occur when damp electrical plugs are connected to the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System. Make sure the electrical outlet is switched off before making any connections. Failure to use proper grounding can cause potential shock hazard!



## **CAUTION**

#### **Unit Damage Potential**

The unit will be damaged if unapproved dc power is applied. This Unit operates from 20-30 Vdc @ 250 Amps Max.



## **CAUTION**

#### **Unit Damage Potential**

Turn off dc input power before connecting or disconnecting dc input power. Failure to turn off dc power could cause voltage spikes that can permanently damage the Unit.

## 1.4 - Important Safety Precautions



## **WARNING**

#### Fire/Explosion Hazard Potential

Severe injury or death from fire or explosion can occur if electrical sparks are produced near fuel vapors. DO NOT CONNECT ac output power from Inverter System while operating or handling any type of fuel.

#### 1.5 - Extreme Environments



## **CAUTION**

#### **Unit Damage Potential**

The TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is equipped with a temperature sensor that automatically disables Inverter functions when the internal temperature reaches above 150°F (65°C). This protects the unit from overheating and damage. If the unit shuts down, move the unit into a cooler climate such as shade or air conditioning when possible.

## Section 2 - Product Overview

#### 2.1 - Introduction

Thank you and congratulations on the purchase of your new TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System.

This System is one of Tesla™ Industries latest advancements in power technology development. The Tl2000-308 is a Pure Sine Wave Inverter System. The Tl2000-308 3 kW Inverter System was designed to provide 120/240 Vac @ 12.5 amps of pure regulated AC power.

This manual contains the complete operating instructions and procedures for the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System that the end user will need to safely and efficiently operate this system.

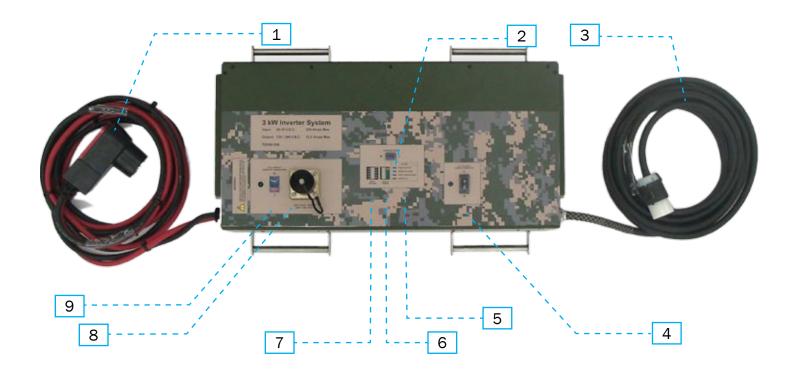


Figure 2.1.1 – TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System (pictured with optional case)

## 2.2 - Indication of Terms: Shall, Should and May

Within this technical manual the word "shall" is used to indicate a mandatory requirement for proper operation and warranty purposes. The word "should" is used to indicate a non-mandatory but preferred method of accomplishment. The word "may" is used to indicate an acceptable method of accomplishment.

#### 2.3 - Front Panel Overview



- **1. 15' Hardwired DC NATO Cable Assembly** Provides an Input of 20-30 Vdc @ 250 Amps Max.
- 2. Inverter Power Switch Acts as on "On/Off" Switch for the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System.
- 25' Hardwired AC Line Cord Provides an Output of 240 Vac 60 Hz. @ 12.5 Amps / 120 Vac 60 Hz. @ 25 Amps
- 4. AC Output Circuit Breaker Acts as on "On/ Off" Switch for the AC Output.

- **5. Alarm LED Indicators** Alerts the user of overvoltages, under-voltages, over-temperatures, and overloads.
- **6. Output Power Status Indicator** Displays the ac current load.
- **7. Input Voltage Indicator** Displays Input Voltage from a range of 20-30 Vdc.
- **8. 24 Vdc Input Receptacle** Provides an Input of 20-30 Vdc @ 250 Amps Max.
- 9. DC Input Circuit Breaker Acts as on "On/ Off" Switch for the dc Input.

## 2.4 - General Specifications

#### Electrical

### AC Output Power:

- Provides Single Phase 120/240 Vac (+/- 5%), 60 Hz
- 12.5 Amps @ 240 Vac 60 Hz
- 25 Amps @ 120 Vac 60 Hz

### DC Input Power:

- 250 Amps Max
- 20-30 Vdc

#### 3 kW AC Inverter:

- 120 Vac 60Hz Pure Sine Wave (+/-.05%)
- 25 amps surge
- 12.5 amps continuous power
- <2% THD
- Minimum Unit Efficiency: 85%

#### Size of TI2000-308:

- 36.33" long x 11.57" wide x 18.40" high
- 922.7 mm x 293.9 mm x 467.4 mm

#### Size of optional TI7000-223 Transportation Case:

- 48.52" long x 23.99" wide x 15.71" high
- 1232.3 mm x 609.4 mm x 399.0 mm

#### Weight:

- 106.5 lbs (48.3 kg)
- 169.5 lbs (76.8 kg) with optional case

#### Operating Temperature:

- -20° C to +65° C
- -4° F to +150° F

#### Storage Temperature:

- -40° C to +65° C
- -40° F to +150° F

## 2.5 - Physical Dimensions

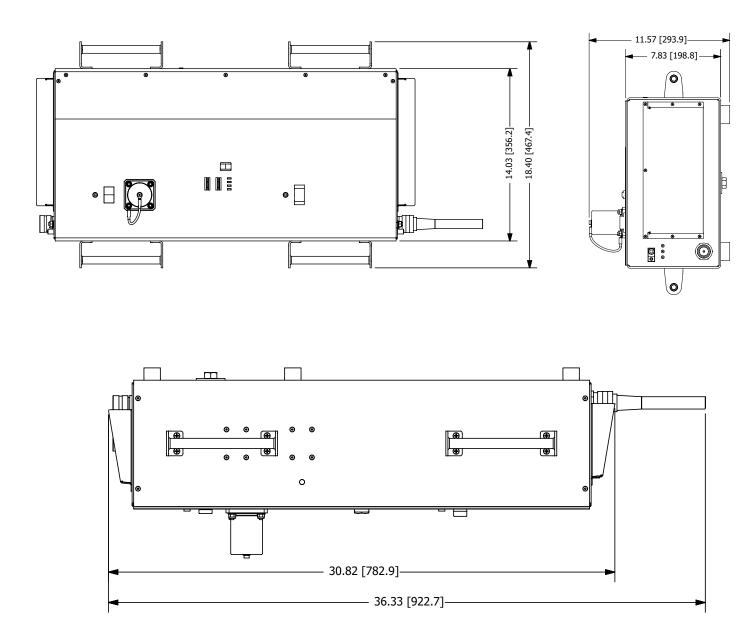


Figure 2.5.1 - TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System physical dimensions

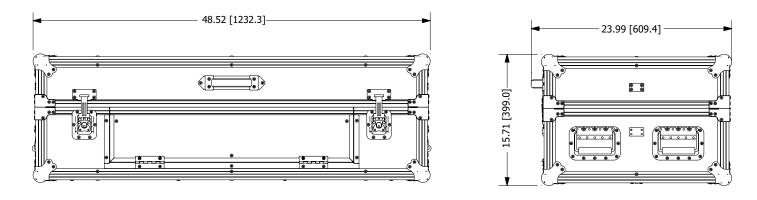


Figure 2.5.2 - TI7000-223 Transportation Case Dimensions

#### 2.6 - Airflow Ports



Damage may occur if the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System's air intake or outlet ports are obstructed. Ensure that ports are clear at all times.

When the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is plugged into 20-30 Vdc input power, the internal cooling system will efficiently regulate unit temperature regardless of load. At room temperature (+77°F) the exhaust air will not exceed the ambient temperature by more than 5°F. In more extreme temperatures (greater than 90°F) the exhaust air will not exceed the ambient temperature by more than 10°F (See Figure 2.6.1).

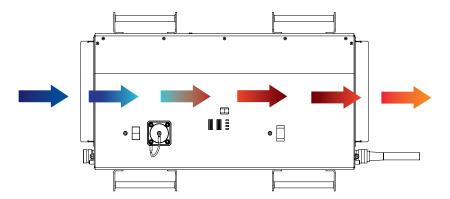


Figure 2.6.1 – Air intake, exhaust ports and internal air circulation

## 2.7 - Operating Positions

The TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is operated in horizontal position as shown. Make sure that the airflow is not obstructed from air intake and outlet.

## 2.8 - AC Output Circuit Breaker

This System is equipped with a 12.5 Amp AC Output Circuit Breaker (Shown in Figure 2.8.1) that acts as an "On/Off" switch for the AC Output. When the AC Output Circuit Breaker is active the LED will illuminate.



Figure 2.8.1 - AC Output Circuit Breaker (outlined in blue)

## 2.9 - AC Output Cord

The AC Output Cord (See Figure 2.9.1) is 25' in length. It has a Hardwired Plug (2713 / Tesla™ part # Tl250000-044). Contact Tesla™ Industries for additional plug configurations.



Figure 2.9.1 Hardwired AC Output Cord with Plug (Plug # 2713)

## 2.10 - Output Power Status LED Indicator

The Output Power Status LED Indicator (See Figure 2.10.1) provides a way for the user to visually see the applied ac load that the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is providing. This lets the operator know how much power that the equipment is drawing.

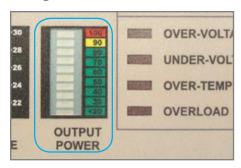
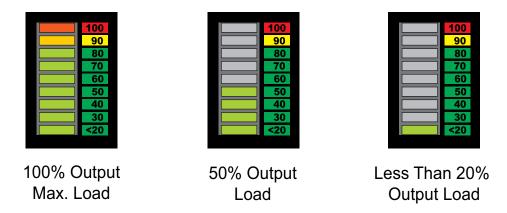


Figure 2.10.1 - Output Power Status Indicator location (outlined in blue)



## 2.11 - 24 Vdc Input Connector

The 24 Vdc Input Connector will support an Input Voltage range of 20-30 Vdc. This is a secondary connector. It is to be used if the 15' DC NATO Cable Assembly is damaged. When the Input Connector is not in use, cover the receptacle with the protective cover (see Figure 2.11.1). This will protect the Input Connector from dust and foreign matter.



Figure 2.11.1 24 Vdc Input Connector

### 2.12 - DC Input Circuit Breaker

This System is equipped with a 100 amp DC Input Circuit Breaker (Shown in Figure 2.12.1) that acts as an "On/Off" switch for the dc input. When the DC Input Circuit Breaker is active the LED will illuminate.



## CAUTION

Turn off dc input power before connecting or disconnecting dc input power. Failure to turn off dc power may cause voltage spikes that can permanently damage the unit.



Figure 2.12.1 - DC Input Circuit Breaker (outlined in blue)

## 2.13 - DC Input Voltage LED Indicator

The DC Input Voltage LED Indicator provides a way for the user to visually see the voltage that the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is receiving.

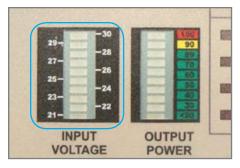
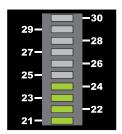
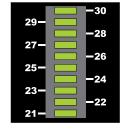


Figure 2.13.1 - Input Voltage Status Indicator location (outlined in blue)



Input Voltage at 24 VDC



Input Voltage at 30 VDC

### 2.14 - DC NATO Cable Assembly

The DC NATO Cable Assembly is 15' in length. It has been Hardwired to the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System.



Do not connect the Hardwired DC NATO Cable Assembly to the 24 Vdc Input Connector.



Figure 2.14.2 Hardwired DC NATO Cable Assembly

#### 2.15 - Alarm LED Indicators

The Alarm LED Indicators alert the user of over-voltages (dc), under-voltages (dc), over-temperatures, and overloads (ac). When a problem occurs the proper LED will illuminate and an audible alert tone will sound and the Inverter Power Switch will trip, shutting off the Inverter. See Section 3.8 for explanations.

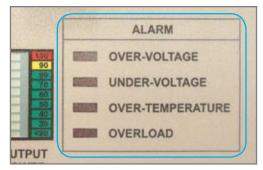


Figure 2.15.1 - Alarm LED Indicator location (outlined in blue)

#### 2.16 - Inverter Power Switch

The Inverter Power Switch acts as an "On/Off" switch for the Inverter System. When switched to the "ON" position the Output will provide 120/240 Vac at 12.5 A, 60 Hz.

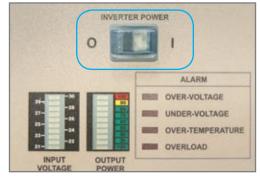
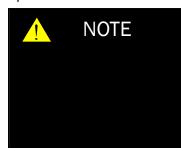


Figure 2.16.1 - Inverter Power Switch location (outlined in blue)

## Section 3 – Operation Procedures

This section deals with normal procedures, and includes all steps necessary to ensure safe and efficient operation of the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System.



The ambient temperature may cause the unit's protective "over-temperature" sensors to shut down the Inverter functions until the unit cools to normal operating temperatures. If the unit shuts itself down, get the unit into a cooler environment such as shade or air conditioning (if possible). Perform a full function check prior to continued use once the unit is allowed to cool. For continued use in extremely hot environments, it is advised to send the unit back to Tesla<sup>TM</sup> for recalibration for use in these environments.

#### 3.1 - General

Correct operation of the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System includes both pre-use and operational checks of the unit. Knowledge of the operating limits, restrictions, performance, unit capabilities and functions is fundamental to correct and safe operation. The operator shall ensure compliance with the instructions in this manual that affect operational safety and the warranty of the unit.

## 3.2 - Operating Limits and Restrictions

The minimum, maximum and normal operating ranges result from careful engineering and evaluation of test data. These limitations must be adhered to during all phases of operation.

#### 3.3 - Performance

Refer to Section 7, PERFORMANCE DATA to determine the capability of the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System. Consideration must be given to changes in performance resulting from variations in ambient temperature and mode of operation.

## 3.4 – Temperature Specifications Cold/Hot Soaked Temperature

The ambient temperature that a unit is exposed to for one (1) hour or more establishes the unit's cold/hot soaked stabilization temperature. If the unit's cold/hot soaked temperature is outside the normal operating

temperature range, the unit must be stabilized prior to operation. For COLD SOAKED temperature stabilization, the unit must be placed in an environment with a temperature above +10°C (+41°F) for 3 hours or a temperature above +20°C (+68°F) for 2 hours. For HOT SOAKED temperature stabilization, the unit must be placed in an environment with a temperature below +38°C (+100°F) for 1 hour.

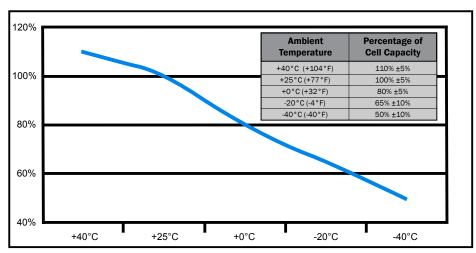


Figure 3.4.1 - Output power capability versus ambient temperature

#### Hot Soaked or Cold Soaked Definition

Simple terms: When a material is exposed to a change in temperature, its temperature will also change. Some material changes temperature quickly, others slowly. If the ambient temperature changes and is then held constant, the materials temperature will also change until its temperature stabilizes. Once the material temperature has stabilized, it is considered "soaked".

Example: A unit is moved from the cool shade into the hot sun. That unit's temperature will increase until it stabilizes. Once stabilized, the unit would be considered "hot soaked".



The unit's temperature switch automatically disables ac power functions when the internal temperature is above 150°F (65°C). This protects the unit from overheating and damage. If the unit shuts down, move the unit into a cooler climate, such as shade or air conditioning when possible. Perform a full function test prior to use after the unit has been allowed to cool.

#### 3.5 - Environmental



#### **Shock Hazard Potential**

Operating any electrical equipment in the presence of moisture creates possible safety hazards and/or potential for equipment damage. Every effort has been made, within the scope of existing technology to prevent foreseeable safety hazards and make the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System moisture resistant to prevent damage or failure. If the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is exposed to moisture, preventive measures and precautions shall be taken to:

- A. Prevent accumulation of moisture on ac and dc connectors/receptacles
- B. Minimize moisture entering forward inlet and AFT outlet cooling fan vent ports

Unit inlet and outlet vent ports shall be covered from exposure. Unit shall be kept horizontal.

### 3.6 - Pre-Operation

- 1. Be sure to check that all input and output cables are not damaged. (See Section 5.1)
- 2. Check unit carefully for any evidence of damage. (See Section 5.1)
- 3. Make sure that airflow is not obstructed from air intake and outlet. (See Section 2.6)
- **4.** Check that all connections are secure and free from water.



Figure 3.6.1 - TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System

### 3.7 - 20-30 Vdc Input Power

Connecting DC Power Cable from Inverter System to Vehicle



## **CAUTION**

Turn off DC Input Power before connecting or disconnecting DC Input Power. Failure to turn off DC Power could cause voltage spikes that can permanently damage the Unit.

- **1.** Place the DC Input Circuit Breaker to the OFF position.
- 2. The Vehicle must be turned OFF (shut down).
- 3. Plug NATO Adaptor into the NATO Connector on the Vehicle.
- **4.** Start the vehicle and allow it to warm up to operating temperature.
- **5.** Place DC Input Circuit Breaker to the ON position.
- 6. Turn ON Inverter Power Switch.
- 7. Turn ON AC Output Circuit Breaker.







Figure 3.7.1 Attaching DC Power Cable to ground vehicle

## Disconnecting DC Power from Vehicle

- 1. Turn OFF AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- 2. Turn OFF Inverter Power Switch.
- 3. Turn OFF DC Input Circuit Breaker.
- 4. Shut down Vehicle.
- **5.** Disconnect the DC NATO Plug from the NATO Connector on the Vehicle.

## Connecting DC NATO Plug to DC NATO Connector on the Front Panel of the Inverter System



## **CAUTION**

Turn off dc input power before connecting or disconnecting dc input power. Failure to turn off dc power could cause voltage spikes that can permanently damage the unit.



## **NOTE**

Do not connect the Hardwired DC NATO Cable Assembly to the 24 Vdc Input Connector.

- **1.** Place the DC Input Circuit Breaker to the OFF position.
- 2. Make sure dc ppower source is turned OFF.
- **3.** Connect NATO Cable from power source to Inverter.
- 4. Turn ON dc power source.
- **5.** Place DC Input Circuit Breaker to the ON position.
- 6. Turn ON Inverter Power Switch.
- 7. Turn ON AC Output Circuit Breaker.

## Disconnecting DC Cable from the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System

- 1. Turn OFF AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- 2. Turn OFF Inverter Power Switch.
- 3. Turn OFF DC Input Circuit Breaker.
- **4.** Shut down dc power source.
- 5. Disconnect the NATO Cable.

#### 3.8 - Alarm LED and Tone Indications

## Over-Voltage DC

The Over-Voltage LED will illuminate if the operational voltage for the Inverter System exceeds the preset value of 30 Vdc Input power. This Alarm will only apply to the dc functions of The TI2000-308.

## Under-Voltage DC

The Under-Voltage LED will illuminate if the operational voltage for the Inverter System has dropped below the preset value of 20 Vdc Input power. This Alarm will only apply to the dc functions of The TI2000-308.

## Over-Temperature

The Over-Temperature LED will illuminate if the Inverter System is operating at a temperature exceeding the preset value of 150° F (65.5° C).

#### Overload

The Overload LED will illuminate if the ac voltage or ac current load of the Inverter System has exceeded 240 volts or 12.5 Amps. This Alarm will only apply to the ac functions of The TI2000-308.

## What to do if the Over-Voltage LED Illuminates

- 1. Turn OFF AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- 2. Turn OFF Inverter Power Switch.
- 3. Turn OFF DC Input Circuit Breaker.
- 4. Shut down DC Power Source.
- **5.** Check the DC Input Power source.
- 6. Turn DC Input Circuit Breaker ON then OFF again.
- 7. Check DC Input Power Cable ensuring it is connected correctly and fully seated.
- 8. Check DC Input Connectors for foreign objects.
- 9. Check Positive and Negative Power Connectors for serviceability.
- **10.** Reconnect all power cables to the Unit.
- 11. Turn ON DC Input Circuit Breaker.
- 12. Turn ON Inverter Power Switch.
- 13. Turn ON AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- **14.**If the Over-Voltage LED illuminates again, shut the Tl2000-308 3 kW Inverter System down and contact Tesla™ Industries.

## What to do if the Under-Voltage LED Illuminates

- 1. Turn OFF AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- 2. Turn OFF Inverter Power Switch.
- 3. Turn OFF DC Input Circuit Breaker.

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## What to do if the Under-Voltage LED Illuminates (Continued)

- 4. Shut down DC Power source.
- **5.** Check the DC Input Power source.
- 6. Turn DC Input Circuit Breaker ON then OFF again.
- 7. Check DC Input Power Cables ensuring they are connected correctly and fully seated.
- 8. Check DC Input Connectors for foreign objects.
- 9. Check Positive and Negative Power Connectors for serviceability.
- **10.** Reconnect all Power Cables to the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System.
- 11. Turn ON DC Input Circuit Breaker.
- 12. Turn ON Inverter Power Switch.
- 13. Turn ON AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- **14.**If the Over-Voltage LED illuminates again, shut the Tl2000-308 3 kW Inverter System down and contact Tesla™ Industries.

## What to do if the Over-Temperature LED Illuminates

- 1. Turn OFF AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- 2. Turn OFF Inverter Power Switch.
- 3. Turn OFF DC Input Circuit Breaker.
- 4. Move the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System to a cool place for a minimum of one hour.
- 5. Reconnect all Power Cables to the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System.
- 6. Turn ON DC Input Circuit Breaker
- 7. Turn ON Inverter Power Switch.
- 8. Turn ON AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- **9.** If the Over-Temperature LED illuminates again, shut the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System down and contact Tesla™ Industries.

#### What to do if the Overload LED Illuminates

- 1. Turn OFF AC Output Circuit Breaker.
- 2. Turn OFF Inverter Power Switch.
- 3. Turn OFF DC Input Circuit Breaker.
- 4. Check the AC Output Cable Connector for serviceability.
- **5.** Check the power demands of the unit you are powering.
- **6.** Reconnect DC Input Power to the power source.
- 7. Reconnect AC Output Power.
- 8. Turn ON DC Input Circuit Breaker
- 9. Turn ON Inverter Power Switch.
- 10. Turn ON AC Output Circuit Breaker...
- **11.**If the Overload LED illuminates again, shut the Tl2000-308 3 kW Inverter System down and contact Tesla™ Industries.

## Section 4 - Post Operation

#### 4.1 - General

Although the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System has been ruggedized and made weather resistant within the scope of unit's intended use, it is essential that good general care be taken to maintain unit in good operating condition and to maximize unit's operational life.

#### 4.2 - After Use

Unit should be protected from environmental elements and man-made hazards. Ideally unit should be secured inside the carrying case.

## Section 5 - Unit Care and Maintenance

## 4 WARNING

Severe injury or death from electrical shock will occur if either the user or the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is wet while operating the unit with the AC Output power connected.



Damage may occur if an unapproved or modified AC line cable or input plug is attached to the Inverter System. Do not use any type of AC voltage converter.

#### 5.1 - Unit Care

## Avoid Prolonged Exposure to Extremely Damp Environments

Be sure to turn off the Inverter Power Switch and disconnect dc input power and ac output power from the Inverter System if the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System has come into contact with water. If the AC Output Circuit Breaker or the DC Input Circuit Breaker has tripped due to water infiltration, allow the unit to dry out before attempting to reset circuit breaker. Cover the unit to prevent water seepage. If the unit is operated in extremely damp conditions, it should be stored in an environmentally controlled building when not in use. Wipe unit clean periodically with a soft cloth to remove dust, dirt, etc.



## Protect Cables from Damage

Do not cut, crush, or drag the input or output power cables when handling the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System. Always inspect cables prior to use. If no damage is evident, proceed to the next step. If damage is evident, contact Tesla™ Customer Service.



Figure 5.1.1 - Damaged cable

## 5.2 - Unit Servicing

The TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System is a maintenance-free, sealed unit. No repairs outside of Tesla™ are authorized. Warranty will be voided if unit is tampered with in any way including any damage to the WARRANTY VOID stickers located on the case (see Figure 5.2.1 below). If the unit requires maintenance, please contact Tesla™ Customer Service at (302) 324-8910. A Repair Request Form can be found in the back of this manual.

Figure 5.2.1 - Warranty Void stickers on the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System

## 5.3 - Transporting Unit

The TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System has four affixed handles (See Figure 5.3.1) so that it can be carried for short distances by hand. If the area of operation is further then 45 meters (150 feet) the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System should be transported on a vehicle inside of the TI7000-223 Transportation Case. The case has been designed to be carried by two people. It has four permanently affixed handles. The case weighs 63 lbs (28.57 kg).



Figure 5.3.1 Affixed Carrying Handles



Figure 5.3.2 TI7000-223 Transportation Case

## 5.4 - Packaging and Shipping

When returning the Inverter System, please ensure that it is properly packaged. The recommended method for transport is in it's original Transportation Case (be sure to enclose the Repair Request Form). Return it to Tesla™ at the address listed below. Please contact Tesla™ Customer Service at (302) 324-8910 with any questions or concerns.

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## Section 6 - Troubleshooting and FAQ

## 6.1 - Frequently Asked Questions

## 1. Why should I buy a Tesla™ Power Inverter System?

A Tesla™ Power Inverter System is an advanced piece of equipment and an ideal method of converting 20-30 dc voltage to pure usable 120/240 ac voltage. This system can be used in a tactical or non-tactical environment giving the user the needed flexibility to operate ac components (with approved connectors) like laptop computers, test measurement and diagnostic equipment, additional lighting, or any other item that requires ac voltage. This unit is man-portable, maintenance free, and can be operated from any 20-30 dc voltage power sources. Designed for military applications it is easily transported and is invaluable for times when ac power is required in a field environment.

## 2. How much power will my Inverter System provide?

The TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System will provide up to 12.5 amps continuous, regulated ac power at 120/240 Vac.

## 3. Is it waterproof?

Water-resistant but not waterproof.

## 4. Are Tesla™ Power System's used in shop maintenance and testing?

Tesla™ systems are gaining popularity throughout maintenance facilities, instructional facilities, laboratories, manufacturing plants, aircraft hangars and many other locations. The reason is due to the precise flat line dc power, the small, portable and quiet nature of our systems and the maintenance free aspect of our Inverter Systems. We can custom tailor ground power systems to fit your individual requirements.

## 5. Can one person transport it?

It is not recommended for one person to transport the TI2000-308 3 kW Inverter System. The system alone weighs 106.5 lbs, and when it is in it's case it weighs 169.5 lbs.

## 6. How do I get my Inverter System serviced?

Contact Tesla™ Customer Service at (302) 324-8910. You can also email us at tesla1@teslaind.com. Once we receive the unit at our facility, we will examine it. Systems that are protected under warranty will be repaired at no charge. If the warranty has expired, you will receive a quote for necessary repairs prior to work being done. Our turnaround time is 48 hours once repairs are authorized.

## 7. Can I make my own repairs to unit?

During the warranty period, the unit can only be repaired by Tesla™ Industries for the warranty to remain in effect. Regardless, we strongly recommend allowing Tesla™ to repair any unit as we will analyze the complete system and recalibrate it.

## 8. What type of maintenance does the Tesla™ Inverter System require?

The systems is maintenance free. Keep the vent areas clean and free of debris. Keep the unit in a protected environment when not in use (maintenance facility, shed).

## 9. What is included with my Tesla™ Inverter System?

Customers will receive a hardwired fifteen (15') foot DC Mechanized Cable Assembly, a hardwired twenty-five (25') foot AC Cable Assembly and a full two year warranty.

## 10. Are there any HAZMAT issues or disposability problems?

There are none. Contact Tesla™ if you have questions.

## 6.2 - Basic Unit Troubleshooting

Fault	Possible Cause	Remedy
Output Power LED does     not come on.	A. AC Circuit Breaker has tripped.     B. No dc input voltage.     C. Input Power Switch has tripped.	<ul> <li>A. Reset AC Output Circuit Breaker Switch.</li> <li>B. Verify that dc input power is applied.</li> <li>C. If LEDs still do not illuminate, Please contact Tesla™ Customer Service at (302) 324-8910</li> </ul>
2. Unit will not power from dc Input.	<ul> <li>A. DC Input cord is damaged or bad.</li> <li>B. Is dc Input cord fully plugged into unit.</li> <li>C. DC circuit breaker has been tripped.</li> <li>D. No DC power or under-voltage (less than 20 volts) at source.</li> </ul>	A. Check if the Input cord is properly secured.      B. Check to make sure DC Circuit Breaker is placed in the "ON" position.
3. Unit works then shuts down.	A. Unit is overheating.     B. Cooling fans and vents are obstructed or inoperable.	A. Move the unit to an area 10°-20° less ambient temperature.      B. Clean and clear cooling vents, turn on unit and inspect if air is flowing through unit. If no airflow please contact Tesla.
Inverter Power Switch continuously trips	<ul> <li>A. Unit is overheating.</li> <li>B. Internal Short</li> <li>C. Operational voltage is above 30 Vdc.</li> <li>D. Operational voltage is below 20 Vdc.</li> <li>E. AC voltage has exceeded 240 volts.</li> <li>F. AC current load has exceeded 12.5 amps.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A. Disconnect unit from dc input and ac output.</li> <li>B. Check Alarm LED and refer to Section 3.8.</li> <li>C. If LED still illuminates, please contact Tesla™ Customer Service at (302) 324-8910.</li> </ul>
5. Unit does not output 240 Vac	A. Unit is not connected.  B. Inverter Power Switch is not ON.  C. AC Output Circuit Breaker is not ON.	A. Plug unit into dc power source to maintain 240 Vac.     B. Turn on Inverter Power Switch.     C. Turn on AC Output Circuit Breaker.

## Section 8 - Optional Accessories

### 8.1 - Cobra™ DC Replacement Contacts and Tools

Cobra™ DC Plugs are designed to provide reliable high-power connections up to 3000 amps — even in the harshest conditions. Each plug is constructed from a rugged combination of advanced composite materials and corrosion-resistant alloys to maximize durability and connectivity. To extend the life of the Cobra Connector included with your Inverter System, replacement contacts and tools can be ordered through the Tesla™ Customer Service.

#### TI2005-078

#### Cobra™ NATO Connector NSN: 6130-01-523-1270 (CL IX)





TI2004-444

## NATO Replacement

For newer NATO plugs with new style post, indicated by the black tip. Replacement plug uses standard 3/4" deep well socket for installation.



Cobra™ NATO Negative Contact NSN: 5999-01-525-0582 (CL IX)



Cobra™ NATO Negative Contact Insertion/Extraction Tool NSN: 5120-01-523-8761 (CL II)

TI2005-117
Cobra™ NATO Positive Post





Cobra™ NATO Positive Contact Insertion/Extraction Tool NSN: 5120-01-527-7729 (CL II)

## 8.2 - Transportation Case

The Tesla™ TI7000-223 Storage Case is designed especially to hold Tesla's TI2000-308 3kW Inverter

- Length: 48.52" (1232.3 mm)
- Width: 23.99" (609.4 mm)
- Height: 15.71" (399.0 mm)
- Weight: 63 lbs. (28.57 kg)
- Limited 2 Year Warranty



Figure 8.2.1 TI7000-223 Transportation Case

## Repair Request Form

Please complete the information below to ensure prompt and accurate service. Include this form with the unit you are returning. Thank you.

	Date of return:	
Company name &		
Billing address:		
Contact person:		
Phone #:	Fax #:	
Purchase Order #:		
Model #:	Serial #: _	
Model #:	Serial #: _	
Shinning method to Tesla™		
Description of problem:		

Return to Tesla™ Industries, Inc.

101 Centerpoint Boulevard, New Castle, DE 19720 Attention: Repair Department



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