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1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

This general manual provides important safety information relating to the installation, maintenance and handling of CS-series solar modules.

Professional installer must read these guidelines carefully and strictly follow these instructions. Failure to follow these instructions may result in death, injury or property damage. The installation and handling of PV modules require professional skills and should only be performed by qualified professionals. The installers must inform endusers (consumers) the aforesaid information accordingly. The word "module" or "PV module" used in this manual refers to one or more CS-series solar modules.

This manual is only valid for the standard module types CS1V-MS, CS1VL-MS, CS1U-MS, CS1H-MS, CS1Y-MS, CS3U-P, CS3K-P, CS3W-P, CS3L-P, CS3W-MS, CS3L-MS, CS3LA-MS, CS3LB-MS, CS1HA-MS, CS3Y-MS, CS3Y-P, CS3N-MS, CS3SA-MS, CS6W-MS, CS6R-MS-HL, CS6R-MS, CS7L-MS-R and CS7N-MS, CS6L-MS, CS6W-T, CS6R-T, CS6RA-MS, CS6RB-MS.

Please retain this manual for future reference. We recommend checking www.csisolar.com regularly for the most updated version.

1.1 INSTALLATION MANUAL DISCLAIMER

The information contained in this manual is subject to change by Canadian Solar without prior notice. Canadian Solar gives no warranty of any kind whatsoever, either explicitly or implicitly, with respect to the information contained herein.

In the event of any inconsistency among different language versions of this document, the English version shall prevail. Please refer to our product lists and documents published on our website at: www.csisolar.com as these lists are updated on a regular basis.

1.2 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Canadian Solar shall not be held responsible for damages of any kind, including – without limitation – bodily harm, injury or damage to property, in connection with handling PV modules, system installation, or compliance or non-

compliance with the instructions set forth in this manual.

2.0 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS



WARNING

Before attempting to install, wire, operate and/or service the module and other

electrical equipment, all instructions should be read and understood. PV module connectors pass direct current (DC) when exposed to sunlight or other light sources. Contact with electrically active parts of the module, such as terminals, can result in injury or death, irrespective of whether or not the module and the other electrical equipment have been connected.



AVERTISSEMENT

Toutes les instructions devront être lues et comprises avant de procéder à l'installation,

le câblage, l'exploitation et/ou l'entretien des panneaux. Les interconnexions des panneaux conduisent du courant continu (CC) lorsque le panneau est exposé à la lumière du soleil ou à d'autres sources lumineuses. Tout contact avec des éléments sous tension du panneau tels que ses bornes de sortie peut entraîner des blessures ou la mort, que le panneau soit connecté ou non.

GENERAL SAFETY

All modules must be installed by licensed electricians in accordance to the applicable electrical codes such as, the latest National Electrical Code (USA) or Canadian Electric Code (Canada) or other national or international applicable electrical codes.



Protective clothing (non-slip gloves, clothes, etc.) must be worn during installation to prevent direct contact with 30 V DC or greater, and to protect hands from sharp edges.



Prior to installation, remove all metallic jewelry to prevent accidental exposure to live circuits.



When installing modules in light rain, morning dew, take appropriate measures to prevent water ingress into the connector.



Do not allow children or unauthorized persons near the installation site or module storage area.

- Do not install modules in strong wind.
- Use electrically insulated tools to reduce the risk of electric shock.
- If the disconnects and over current protection devices (OCPDs) cannot be opened or the inverter cannot be powered down, cover the fronts of the modules in the PV array with an opaque material to stop the production of electricity when installing or working on a module or wiring.
- · Do not use or install damaged modules.
- Contact with module surfaces or frames may cause electric shock if the front glass is broken or the backsheet is torn.
- The PV module does not contain any serviceable parts.
 Do not attempt to repair any part of the module.
- Keep the junction box cover closed at all times.
- Do not disassemble a module or remove any module part.
- Do not artificially concentrate sunlight on a module.
- **Do not** connect or disconnect modules when current from the modules or an external source is present.

3.0 MECHANICAL / ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Module electrical ratings are measured under Standard Test Conditions (STC) of 1000 W/m² irradiance, with an AM1.5 spectrum, and a cell temperature of 25°C. Detailed electrical and mechanical characteristics of Canadian Solar crystalline silicon PV modules can be found in Annex A (Module Specifications) on www.csisolar.com. Main electrical characteristics at STC are also stated on each module label. Please refer to the datasheet or the product nameplate for the maximum system voltage.

Under certain conditions, a module may produce more current or voltage than its Standard Test Conditions rated power. As a result, the module short-circuit current under STC should be multiplied by 1.25, and a correction factor should be applied to the open-circuit voltage (see Table 1 below), when determining component ratings and capacities. Depending on your local regulations, an additional 1.25 multiplier for the short-circuit current (giving a total multiplier of 1.56) may be applicable when sizing conductors and fuses.

Table 1: Low temperature correction factors for opencircuit voltage

| Lowest Expected Ambient Temperature (°C/°F) | Correction Factor |
|--|-------------------|
| 24 to 20 / 76 to 68 | 1.02 |
| 19 to 15 / 67 to 59 | 1.04 |
| 14 to 10 / 58 to 50 | 1.06 |
| 9 to 5 / 49 to 41 | 1.08 |
| 4 to 0 / 40 to 32 | 1.10 |
| -1 to -5 / 31 to 23 | 1.12 |
| -6 to -10 / 22 to 14 | 1.14 |
| -11 to -15 / 13 to 5 | 1.16 |
| -16 to -20 / 4 to -4 | 1.18 |
| -21 to -25 / -5 to -13 | 1.20 |
| -26 to -30 / -14 to -22 | 1.21 |
| -31 to -35 / -23 to -31 | 1.23 |
| -36 to -40 / -32 to -40 | 1.25 |
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Alternatively, a more accurate correction factor for the open-circuit voltage can be calculated using the following formula:

$$C_{Voc} = 1 - \alpha_{\textit{Voc}} \times (25 - T)$$

T (°C) is the lowest expected ambient temperature at the system installation site.

 α_{Voc} (%/°C) is the voltage temperature coefficient of the selected module (refer to corresponding datasheet).

Electrical calculations and design must be performed by a competent engineer or consultant.

Please contact Canadian Solar's technical support team for additional information pertaining to engineering optimization and approval of project specific module string lengths.

4.0 UNPACKING AND STORAGE

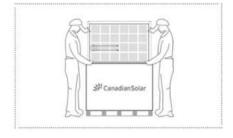


PRECAUTIONS

• Modules should be stored in a dry and ventilated

environment to avoid direct sunlight and moisture. If modules are stored in an uncontrolled environment, the storage time should be less than 3 months and extra precautions should be taken to prevent connectors from being exposed to moisture or sunlight, like using connector endcaps. Protect the package from damage. In any circumstance, for pallets of modules packaged in landscape orientation, stacking of no more than two layers is allowed, for pallets of modules packaged in portrait orientation, stacking is not allowed.

- · When unloading modules pallets from flat truck, please use a crane or a forklift to remove the module pallets. When unloading modules pallets from containers, please use a forklift to remove the module pallets from the container or trailer. Do not move any pallets within the container or trailer without properly lifting them first. The forklift should be close to the ground in order to avoid the top of module pallets touching the top of the cabinet door. The thickness of forklift teeth should be less than 80mm, and the length of the forklift teeth should be longer than 2300mm, when unloading 6W module pallets from the short side. For unloading CS7N and CS7L modules, the thickness of forklift teeth should be less than 80mm, the length of the forklift teeth should be longer than 1250mm and the width of forklift teeth should be wider than 600mm (from middle to middle of the forklift teeth). Visit our website or consult your Canadian Solar representative for more detailed CS7N and CS7L unloading instructions.
- Unpack module pallets carefully, following the steps shown on the pallet. Unpack, transport and store the modules with care.
- Modules must always be unpacked and installed by two or three people. Always use both hands when handling modules.

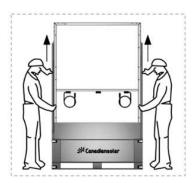




For modules vertically packed lying on the short side (CS7L and CS7N), it is recommended to support the unpacked

modules by one person during the unpacking process. Please use an anti-tipping structure. Such structure can be built with the pallet's own wooden frame or with the spare parts provided in the pallets. Visit our website for the detailed unpacking instruction.

 During unpacking, the unpacked modules should be properly fixed. After unpacking, it is recommended to place the remaining modules in the pallet shall be placed horizontally on a pallet not exceeding the total number 12 of in one stack. Visit our website or contact your Canadian Solar representative for more detailed unpacking requirements.



- Do not lift modules by their wires or junction box, lift them by the frame.
- Do not allow the panels to sag or bow under their own weight when being carried.
- Stacks of modules should contain no more than 12 modules, and the frames should be aligned.
- Do not place excessive loads on the module or twist the module frame.
- Do not stand, step, walk and/or jump on modules under any circumstances. Localized heavy loads may cause severe micro-cracks at cell level, which in turn may compromise module reliability and void Canadian Solar's warranty.



• Do not leave the module backsheet directly in contact

with the support structure underneath when handling or installing the module.

- Do not carry modules on your head.
- Do not drop or place objects (such as tools) on the modules.
- Do not use sharp instruments on the modules.
 Particular care should be taken to avoid module backsheets being damaged by sharp objects, as scratches may directly affect product safety.
- Do not leave modules unsupported or unsecured.
- Do not change the wiring of bypass diodes.
- Keep all electrical contacts clean and dry at all times.
- Do not expose the modules and its electrical contacts (junction boxes, connectors) to any unauthorized chemical substance (e.g. oil, lubricant, pesticide, petrol, white flower oil, activating collaterals oil, mold temperature oil, machine oil (such as KV46), grease (such as Molykote EM-SOL, etc.), lubricating oil, antirust oil, stamping oil, butter, cooking oil, propyl alcohol, ethyl alcohol, essential oil, bone-setting water, Tianna water, mold release agent (such as Pelicoat S-6, etc.), glue and potting glue that can generate oxime gas (such as KE200, CX-200, Chemlok, etc.), TBP (plasticizer), cleaning agents, pesticide, paint strippers, adhesives, antirust agent, disincrustant, emulsifying agent, cutting oils and cosmetics, etc.) as modules may incur damages. Please contact your Canadian Solar representative for more detailed requirements.

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Each module has three identical barcodes (one in the laminate under the front glass, the second on the rear side of the module and the third on the frame) that act as a unique identifier. Each module has a unique serial number containing 14 digits or 16 digits.

A nameplate is also affixed to the rear of each module. This nameplate specifies the model type, as well as the main electrical and safety characteristics of the module. It also includes the barcode with the module unique serial number as mentioned above.

5.0 MODULE INSTALLATION

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AND GENERAL SAFETY

- Prior to installing modules please obtain information about any requirements and necessary approvals for the site, installation and inspection from the relevant authorities.
- Check applicable building codes to ensure that the construction or structure (roof, facade, support, etc.) can bear the module system load.
- Canadian Solar modules have been qualified for Application Class A (equivalent to Safety Class II requirements). Modules rated under this class should be used in systems operating at voltage above 50V or power above 240W, where general contact access is anticipated.
- Canadian Solar standard modules have been certified as Type 1 or Type 2 according to UL 61730 and Class C according to IEC 61730-2 for fire class performance, please refer to the datasheet or the product nameplate for the detailed types.
- Consult your local authority for guidelines and requirements for building or structural fire safety.

UL 61730 SYSTEM FIRE RATING REQUIREMENTS

- Photovoltaic systems composed of UL 61730 certified modules mounted on a UL 2703 certified mounting system should be evaluated in combination with roof coverings in accordance with UL 61730 standard, with respect to meeting the same fire classification as the roof assembly.
- Mounting systems with a System Fire Class Rating (Class A, B or C), tested in conjunction with "Type 1" or "Type 2" fire rated modules, are considered acceptable for use with Canadian Solar modules, provided that the mounting system does not violate any other requirements of this manual.
- Any mounting system limitations on inclination or accessories required to maintain a specific System Fire Class Rating should be clearly specified in the installation instructions and UL 2703 certification of the

mounting system supplier.

- When installing modules, ensure the assembly is mounted over a fire-resistant roof covering rated for the application.
- The fire rating for this module is only valid when the product is installed as specified in the mechanical mounting instructions.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

- PV modules are intended for use in general open-air climates, as defined in IEC 60721-2-1: Classification of environmental conditions Part 2-1: Environmental conditions appearing in nature. Temperature and humidity.
- It is recommended that PV modules are installed in an environmental temperature range of -40°C to + 40°C. The 98th-percentile of the module operational temperature must be of 70°C or lower under any mounting conditions. CS7L-MS-R and CS6R-MS CS6RA-MS, CS6RB-MS modules are designed for application where the 98th-percentile of the module operational temperature is up to 80°C.
- This environmental temperature range encompasses many locations and installation styles in these locations.
 Annex B provides the reader with modelled PV module temperature examples, at the 98th-percentile depending on different mounting methods and worldwide locations.
- Please consult the Canadian Solar technical support department for more information on the use of modules in special climates, such as an altitude greater than 2000m.



Do not install modules near open flames or flammable materials.



Do not immerse modules in water or constantly expose modules to water (either fresh or salt, i.e. from fountains, sea spray).

 Exposing modules to salt (i.e. marine environments) or sulfur (i.e. sulfur sources, volcanoes) incurs the risk of module corrosion.

NOTICE

 Canadian Solar modules have passed salt mist corrosion resistance test according to IEC 61701, but the corrosion may still occur on where the modules frame is connected to the bracket or where the grounding is connected. Should the installation location be near the ocean, Canadian Solar recommends stainless steel or aluminum materials be used in the areas with direct contact with the PV modules, and the connection point should be protected with anticorrosion measures. For more information, please contact Canadian Solar technical support team.

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

- Ensure that the module meets the general technical system requirements.
- Ensure that other systems components do not damage the module mechanically or electrically.
- Modules can be wired in series to increase voltage or in parallel to increase current. To connect modules in series, connect the cables from the positive terminal of one module to the negative terminal of the next module.
 To connect in parallel, connect the cables from the positive terminal of one module to the positive terminal on the next module.
- The quantity of bypass diodes in the module's junction box provided may vary depending on the model series.
- Only connect the quantity of modules that corresponds to the voltage specifications of the inverters used in the system. In addition, modules must not be connected together to create a voltage higher than the maximum permitted system voltage stated on the module nameplate, even under the worst local temperature conditions (see Table 1 for the correction coefficients that apply to open-circuit voltage).
- A maximum of two strings can be connected in parallel without using an over-current protection device (fuses, etc.) incorporated in series within each string. Three or more strings can be connected in parallel if an appropriate and certified over-current protection device is installed in series within each string. And it

shall be ensured in the PV system design that the reverse current of any particular string is lower than the module maximum fuse rating at any circumstances.

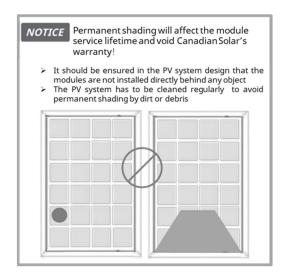
- Only modules with similar electrical parameters should be connected in the same string to avoid or minimize mismatch effects in arrays.
- To minimize risk in the event of an indirect lightning strike, avoid forming loops with the wiring when designing the system.
- The recommended maximum series fuse rating is stated in a table in the Annex A.
- Modules should be safely fixed to bear all expected loads, including wind and snow loads.
- A minimum clearance of 6.5 mm (0.25 in) between modules is required to allow for thermal expansion of the frames.
- The drainage holes on the underside of the module must not be blocked.

OPTIMUM ORIENTATION AND TILT

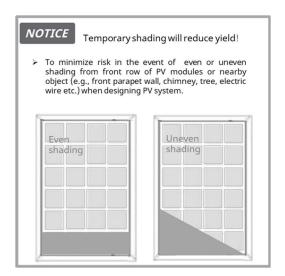
 To maximize the annual yield, please calculate the optimum orientation and tilt for PV modules in that specific installation site. The highest yields are achieved when sunlight shines perpendicularly onto the PV modules.

AVOID SHADING

Modules shall not be permanently shaded (including partial shading, spot shading, even shading or uneven shading) under any circumstance. Permanent shading includes shading of the same cell, cell row, or module portion for extended and repeated periods of time (e.g. more than 200 daylight hours over the warrantied service lifetime). Power dissipated in fully or partially shaded cells will result in power loss, reduced yield and can cause localized overheating, which in turn may negatively impact the module service lifetime. Permanent shading may cause accelerated ageing of the encapsulation material and place thermal stress on the bypass diodes. This would void the module's warranty unless properly mitigated through the use of Module Level Power Electronic (MLPE) devices.



- Regular maintenance is required to keep modules clean.
 Particular measures should be taken to avoid permanent shading from dirt or debris (e.g., plants, bird droppings, etc).
- Do not install modules directly behind any object (e.g., tree, antenna, etc) to prevent occurrence of permanent shading.
- Even temporary partial shading will reduce the energy yield. A module can be considered to be unshaded if its entire surface is free from shading all year round, including on the shortest day of the year.



RELIABLE VENTILATION

 Sufficient clearance (at least 102 mm (4.02 in)) between the module frame and the mounting surface is required to allow cooling air to circulate around the back of the module. This also allows condensation or moisture to dissipate.

 According to UL 61730, any other specific clearance required for maintaining a system fire rating should prevail. Detailed clearance requirements pertaining to system fire ratings must be provided by your racking supplier.

5.1 MODULE WIRING

CORRECT WIRING SCHEME

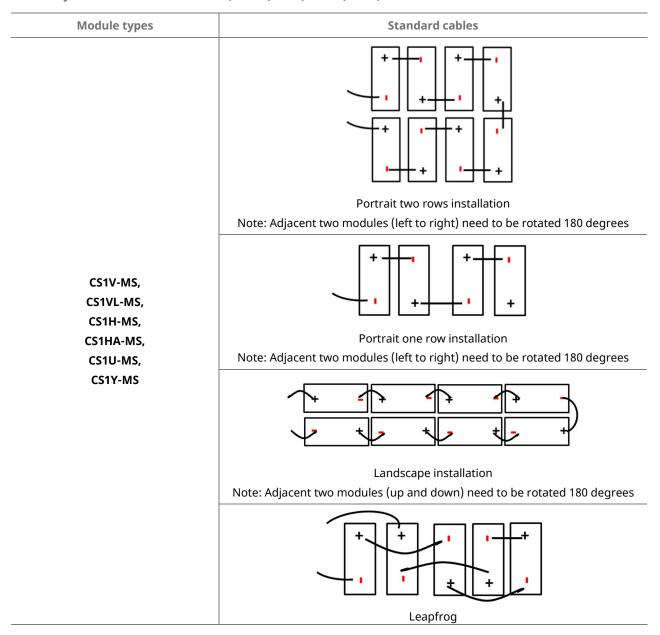
- Cable management scheme should be reviewed and approved by the EPC contractor; in particular required cable lengths should be cross-checked considering the specificities of the tracker structure like bearing house gaps. If longer cable or additional jumper cables are requested, please contact Canadian Solar's sales representative in advance.
- Ensure that the wiring is correct before starting up the Table 2: System Cable Scheme for

- system. If the measured open circuit voltage (Voc) and short-circuit current (Isc) differ from the specifications, this indicates that there is a wiring fault.
- When modules have been installed but the system has not been connected to the grid yet, each module string should be kept under open-circuit conditions and proper actions should be taken to avoid dust and moisture penetration inside the connectors.
- In case where a cable connection method not included in the below table is used, please confirm the suitable cable length with Canadian Solar's sales representative.
- For different Canadian Solar module types, Canadian Solar offers optional cable lengths to match various system configurations.
- Recommended system cable schemes are shown in table 2 & 3 below:

CS3U/CS3K/CS3W/CS3LA/CS3LB/CS3Y/CS3N/CS3SA/CS6W/CS6R/CS7N/CS7L modules Module types Standard cables CS3U-P, CS3K-P. CS3W-P, CS3W-MS, CS3L-P, CS3L-MS, CS3LA-MS, CS3LB-MS CS3Y-P, CS3Y-MS, Portrait two rows installation CS3N-MS, Note: Adjacent two modules (up and down) need to be rotated 180 degrees CS3SA-MS. CS6W-MS, CS6R-MS, CS6R-MS-HL CS7N-MS, CS7L-MS, Portrait one row installation CS7L-MS-R CS6W-T CS6R-T CS6L-MS CS6RA-MS CS6RB-MS Landscape installation

Note: Adjacent two modules (left to right) need to be rotated 180 degrees

Table 3: System Cable Scheme for CS1V/CS1VL/CS1H/CS1HA/CS1U/CS1Y modules



The maximum distance between two adjacent module frames should be within 50 mm (1.96 in) for the side with mounting clamps, and 25 mm (0.98 in) for the side without mounting clamps, in order to meet the system cable scheme.

CORRECT CONNECTION OF CONNECTORS

- Make sure that all connections are safe and properly mated. PV connectors should not be subject to stress from the exterior. Connectors should only be used to connect the circuit. They should never be used to turn the circuit on and off.
- Connectors are not waterproof when unmated. When installing modules, connector should be connected to each other as soon as possible or appropriate measures (like using connector endcaps) should be taken to avoid moisture and dust penetrating into the connector.
- Do not connect different connectors (manufacturer and type) together.
- **Do not** clean or precondition the connectors using lubricants or any unauthorized chemical substances.
- If end caps are present on un-mated connectors, carefully remove by hand the end caps before connecting the connectors. Do not use any sharp tool which may damage the connector. The use of tools is not needed.







Negative connector endcap

USE OF SUITABLE MATERIALS

- Only use dedicated solar cable and suitable connectors
 (wiring should be sheathed in a sunlight-resistant
 conduit or, if exposed, should itself be sunlight resistant) that meet local fire, building and electrical
 regulations. Please ensure that all wiring is in perfect
 electrical and mechanical condition.
- Installers may only use single-conductor cable listed and labeled as or PV wire which is 90°C wet rated in North America, and single conductor cable with a cross section area of at least 4 mm² (12 AWG), 90°C wet rated in other areas (i.e. IEC 62930 approved), with proper insulation which is able to withstand the maximum possible system open-circuit voltage. For CS7N-MS, CS7L-MS and CS7L-MS-R, Canadian Solar recommends the use of a copper wire of at least 6 mm² (10AWG)

section.

Only copper conductor material should be used. Select
a suitable conductor gauge to minimize voltage drop
and ensure that the conductor ampacity complies with
local regulations (i.e. NEC 690.8(D)).

CABLE AND CONNECTOR PROTECTION

- Secure the cables to the mounting system using UVresistant cable ties. Protect exposed cables from damage by taking appropriate precautions (e.g. placing them inside a metallic raceway like EMT conduit). Avoid exposure to direct sunlight.
- A minimum bending radius of 60 mm (2.36 in) is required when securing the junction box cables to the racking system.
- Protect exposed connectors from weathering damage by taking appropriate precautions. Avoid exposure to direct sunlight.
- Do not place connectors in locations where water could easily accumulate.

5.2 GROUNDING

- For grounding requirements in North America, a module with exposed conductive parts is considered to comply with UL 61730 only when it is electrically grounded in accordance with both the instructions presented below and the requirements of the National Electrical Code. Any grounding means used with Canadian Solar modules should be NRTL certified to UL 467 and UL 2703 standards. Please consult our technical service team for the formal approval process.
- For grounding requirements in other areas, although the modules are certified to Safety Class II, we recommend them to be grounded and that module installation should comply with all applicable local electrical codes and regulations. Minimum size of equipment grounding conductors for ground raceway and equipment from NEC 690.8(D) should be considered. Grounding connections should be installed by a qualified electrician. Connect module frames together using adequate grounding cables: the use of 4-14 mm² (AWG 6-12) copper wire is recommended. Holes provided for this purpose are identified with a

grounding symbol \pm (IEC 61730-1). All conductive connection junctions must be firmly fixed.

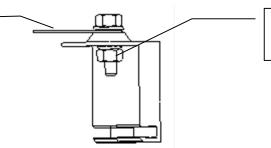
- Do not drill any extra ground holes for convenience as this will void the modules warranty.
- All bolts, nuts, flat washers, lock washers and other relevant hardware should be made of stainless steel,
 GROUNDING METHOD: BOLT + TOOTHED NUT + CUP WASHER.

unless otherwise specified.

- Canadian Solar does not provide grounding hardware.
- The grounding method described below is recommended by Canadian Solar.

To fix the wire between the flat washer and cup washer, place the cup washer (concave side up) between

the frame and the wire.



Then tighten the bolt using the toothed nut.

- A grounding kit containing an M5 (3/16") SS cap bolt, an M5 (3/16") SS flat washer, an M5 (3/16") SS cup washer, and an M5 (3/16") SS nut (with teeth) is used to attach copper grounding wire to a pre-drilled grounding hole on the frame (see image above).
- Place the wire between the flat washer and the cup washer. Ensure that the cup washer is positioned between the frame and the wire with the concave side up to prevent galvanic corrosion. Tighten the bolt securely using the SS toothed nut. A wrench may be used to do this. The tightening torque is 3-7 Nm (2.2-5.2 ft-lbs).

6.0 MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS



The applicable regulations pertaining to work safety, accident prevention and securing the construction site must be observed. Workers

and third party personnel shall wear or install fall arrest equipment. Any third party need to be protected against injuries and damages.

- The mounting design must be certified by a registered professional engineer. The mounting design and procedures must comply with all applicable local codes and requirements from all relevant authorities.
- The module is considered to be in compliance with UL 61730 and IEC 61215 only when the module is mounted in the manner specified by the mounting instructions

included in this installation manual.

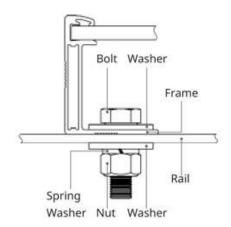
- The system designer and installer are responsible for load calculations and for proper design of support structure.
- The approved test loads in this manual are only valid when coupled to mounting and support structures that are capable of withstanding equal or greater mechanical loads. The mounting system supplier is responsible for the strength and stability of the mounting structure, which must meet the requirements of the relevant design specifications.
- Any module without a frame (laminate) shall not be considered to comply with the requirements of UL 61730 unless the module is mounted with hardware that has been tested and evaluated with the module under this standard or by a field Inspection certifying that the installed module complies with the requirements of UL 61730.
- Canadian Solar does not provide mounting hardware.
- Standard modules can be mounted onto a support structure using one of several approved methods as described below. For information about other installation methods, please contact your local representative. Failure to use a recognized installation method will void the Canadian Solar warranty.

- Use appropriate corrosion-proof fastening materials.
 All mounting hardware (bolts, spring washers, flat washers, nuts) should be hot dip galvanized or stainless steel.
- Use a torque wrench for installation.
- Do not drill additional holes or modify the module frame. Doing so will void the warranty.
- This manual includes preliminary loading capability data which might be subject to change, please refer to official version which will be updated in coming versions
- Standard modules can be installed in either landscape or portrait orientations. Refer to the detailed instructions for further guidance. Please note that in areas with heavy snowfall (> 2400 Pa) further countermeasures such as the use of additional support bars should be considered to avoid snow loads damaging the lowest row of modules.
- In cases where an additional support bar is recommended to improve both mechanical stability and long-term module performance, we recommend selecting a sufficiently resistant material. Canadian Solar recommends bars with a minimum thickness of 50 mm (1.97 in). The support bar centerline should be positioned within 100 mm (3.94 in) of the side frame centerline (slight shifts may be necessary to access module grounding holes).
- The loads described in this manual correspond to test loads. For installations complying with IEC 61215-2:2016 and UL 61730, a safety factor of 1.5 should be applied for calculating the equivalent maximum authorized design loads. Project design loads depend on construction, applicable standards, location and local climate. Determination of the design loads is the responsibility of the racking suppliers and/or professional engineers. For detailed information, please follow local structural code or contact your professional structural engineer.

6.1 MOUNTING METHOD: BOLTING

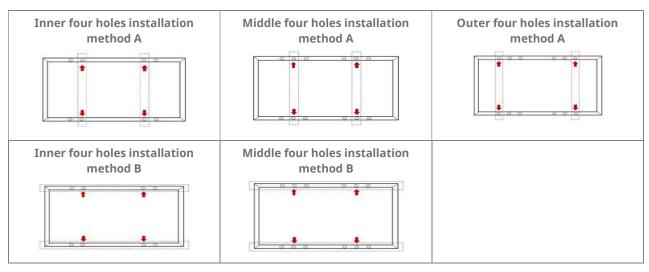
- The mechanical load test with these mounting methods were performed according to IEC 61215.
- Modules should be bolted to supporting structures through the mounting holes in the rear frame flanges only.
- Each module must be securely fastened at a minimum of 4 points on two opposite sides.
- M8 X 1.25 Grade 8.8 (5/16"-18 Grade B7) galvanized or A2-70 stainless steel bolt and nut should be used.
- The yield strength of bolt and nut should not be less than 450 MPa.
- Tightening torques should be 16~20 Nm (11.8~14.75 ftlbs) for M8 (5/16"-18) coarse thread bolts, depending on bolt class.
- In areas with heavy wind loads, additional mounting points should be used. The system designer and the installer are responsible for correctly calculating the loads and ensuring that the supporting structure meets all the applicable requirements.

Mounting method: Bolting



 Modules should be bolted at the following hole locations depending on the configuration and loads:

Table 5: Approved bolting methods



| Installation Method Module Types | Inner four holes installation method A | Inner four holes installation method B | Middle four holes installation method A | Middle four holes installation method B | Outer four holes installation method A |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| CS1V-MS/CS1VL-MS/CS3K- P/CS1HA-MS | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +4000Pa/-2400Pa | | | |
| CS3U-P | | | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | |
| CS3W-MS/CS3W-P/CS1U- MS | | | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +3600Pa/-2400Pa | |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +3600Pa/-2400Pa | | | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | +5400Pa/- 4000Pa* | +5400Pa/- 4000Pa* | | | |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P/CS3LA- MS/CS3LB-MS/CS1H-MS | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | | | | |
| CS6R-MS/CS6RB-MS | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | | | | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |
| CS6RA-MS | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | | | | |
| CS1Y-MS | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | | | |
| CS3Y-MS/CS3Y-P/CS3SA- MS/CS6W-MS/CS7L- MS/CS7N-MS | | | | | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |
| CS6R-MS-HL | +5400Pa/- 3200Pa** | +5400Pa/- 3200Pa** | | | |
| CS6W-T (Preliminary) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |
| CS6R-T (Preliminary) | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | 1 | 1 | 1 | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |

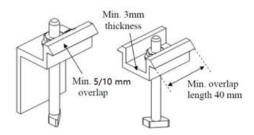
Note: The bolting installation method is based on the experimental results, "--" means not tested. *: D-type (clipped) washer with outer diameter 23mm should be used for this bolting method; **: D-type washer with outer diameter 23mm should be used when uplift load 4000 Pa is required.



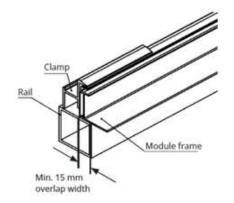
6.2 MOUNTING METHOD: CLAMPING

- The mechanical load test with these mounting methods were performed according to IEC 61215.
- Clamping methods will vary and are dependent on the mounting structures. Please follow the mounting guidelines recommended by the mounting system supplier.
- Each module must be securely fastened at a minimum of four points on two opposite sides. The clamps should be positioned symmetrically. The clamps should be positioned according to the authorized position ranges.
- Install and tighten the module clamps to the mounting rails using the torque stated by the mounting hardware manufacturer. M8 X 1.25 (5/16") bolt and nut are used for this clamping method.
- Tightening torques should be within 16~20 Nm (11.8~14.75 ft-lbs) for M8 (5/16") coarse thread bolts, depending on the bolt class. For the bolt grade, the technical guideline from the fastener suppliers should be followed. Different recommendations from specific clamping hardware suppliers should prevail.
- The system designer and installer are responsible for load calculations and for proper design of support structure.
- Canadian Solar's warranty may be void in cases where improper clamps or unsuitable installation methods are found. When installing inter-modules or end-type clamps, please take the following measures into account:
 - 1. Do not bend the module frame.
 - 2. Do not touch or cast shadows on the front glass.
 - 3. Do not damage the surface of the frame (to the exception of the clamps with bonding pins).
 - 4. Ensure the clamps overlap the module frame by at least 10 mm (0.4 in) for CS6W, CS7N and CS7L, 5mm (0.2in) for the rest module types.
 - 5. Overlap in length by at least
 - a) 80 mm (3.15 in) when uplift load > 2400 Pa is required.

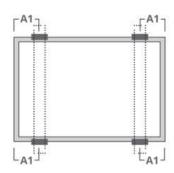
- b) 40 mm (1.57 in) when uplift load ≤ 2400 Pa is required.
- 6. Ensure the clamp thickness is at least 3 mm (0.12 in).



- Clamp material should be anodized aluminum alloy or stainless steel.
- Clamp position is of crucial importance for the reliability
 of the installation. The clamp centerlines must only be
 positioned within the ranges indicated in table below,
 depending on the configuration and load. For
 configurations where the mounting rails run parallel to
 the frame, precautions should be taken to ensure the
 bottom flange of the module frame overlaps the rail by
 15 mm (0.59 in) or more.

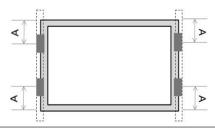


${\bf 6.2.1}\ Four\ clamps\ on\ long\ side\ of\ frame\ and\ rails\ perpendicularly\ to\ the\ long\ side\ frame$



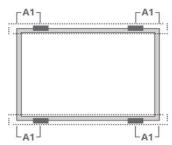
| | Max Mechanical Load (Pa) | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| | +2000/ | +2400/ | +3600/ | +5400/ | +5400/ | +7000/ | +7000/ | |
| Module Types | -2000 | -2400 | -2400 | -2400 | -3600 | -5000 | -5400 | |
| | | | A1 | Range (mm | 1) | | | |
| CS1H-MS | 0-219 | 220-440 | 1 | 1 | 270-330 | / | 1 | |
| CS1VL-MS/CS1HA-MS | 0-219 | 220-440 | 1 | 270-330 | 1 | / | 1 | |
| CS1V-MS | 0-239 | 331-550 | 1 | 240-330 | 1 | / | 1 | |
| CS3K-P | 0-239 | 331-550 | 1 | 1 | 240-330 | / | / | |
| CS3U-P/CS3W-MS/CS3W-P | 1 | 340-550 | 1 | 1 | 410-490 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS1U-MS | 1 | 340-550 | 1 | 410-490 | 1 | / | 1 | |
| CS1Y-MS | 1 | 1 | 300-600 | 1 | 350-550 | 1 | 400-500 | |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P/CS3LA- MS/CS3LB-MS | 0-240 | 331-550 | 1 | 1 | 240-330 | / | 1 | |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | 1 | 300-600 | 1 | 1 | 400-500 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | 1 | 1 | 200-650 | 1 | 300-600 | / | 450-550 | |
| CS3Y-MS/CS3Y-P/CS6W- MS/CS7L-MS | 1 | 300-600 | 1 | 400-500 | 1 | / | / | |
| CS7N-MS | 1 | 300-600 | / | 450-550 | 1 | / | / | |
| CS3SA-MS | 1 | 1 | 300-600 | 400-500 | 1 | / | / | |
| CS6R-MS/CS6RB-MS | 0-100 | 100-600 | 200-500 | 300-400 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS6RA-MS | 1 | 1 | 0-100 | 200-400 | 1 | 1 | / | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | 1 | 0-100 | 100-600 | 250-550 | 1 | 400-500 | / | |
| CS6W-T (Preliminary) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 400-500 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS6R-T (Preliminary) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 300-400 | 1 | / | 1 | |
| CS6L-MS (Preliminary) | / | / | / | 400-500 | / | / | / | |

6.2.2 Four clamps on short side of frame and rails perpendicular to the long side frame.



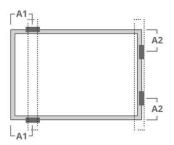
| | A Range (mm) | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Module Types | 0-200 | 200-250 | | | | |
| | Max Mechan | ical Load (Pa) | | | | |
| CS3U-P | +1200/-1200 | +1400/-1400 | | | | |
| CS3W-MS/CS3W-P | +1000/-1000 | +1200/-1200 | | | | |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P | +2000/-2000 | +2200/-2200 | | | | |
| CS1Y-MS | +1600/-1600 | +1800/-1800 | | | | |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | +2000/-2000 | +2200/-2200 | | | | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | +2200/-2000 | +2400/-2200 | | | | |
| CS6R-MS/ CS6RA-MS | +2200/-2200 | +2400/-2400 | | | | |
| CS6RB-MS | +2400/-2400 | / | | | | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | +2400/-2400 | +2600/-2400 | | | | |
| CS6L-MS (Preliminary) | +1000/-1000 | +1200/-1200 | | | | |

6.2.3 Four clamps on long side of frame and rails parallel to the long side frame.



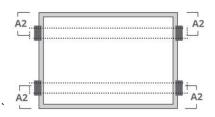
| | Max Mechanical Load (Pa) | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--|--|
| Module Types | +1600/-1600 | +3600/-2400 | +3200/-2400 | +4000/-2400 | +5400/-2400 | | |
| | | | A1 Range (mm) | | | | |
| CS3U-P | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 410-490 | | |
| CS3K-P/CS1V-MS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 240-330 | 1 | | |
| CS1VL-MS/CS1HA-MS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 270-330 | 1 | | |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 400-500 | 1 | | |
| CS6L-MS (Preliminary) | 0-200 | 300-500 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | / | / | / | 200-600 | 450-550 | | |
| CS6R-MS/CS6RB-MS | 1 | 1 | 200-600 | 200-300 | 1 | | |
| CS6RA-MS | 1 | 1 | 1 | 200-400 | 1 | | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100-600 | 450-550 | | |

6.2.4 Two clamps on the long side and two clamps on the short side of frame. Rails run perpendicular to the long side frame.



| | Max Mechanical Load (Pa) | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Module Types | +2400/-2400 | | | | | |
| | A1 Range (mm) | A2 Range (mm) | | | | |
| CS3U-P | 300-550 | 200-250 | | | | |
| CS3K-P | 100-550 | 200-250 | | | | |
| CS3W-MS/CS3W-P | 600-800 | 20-250 | | | | |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P | 400-600 | 20-250 | | | | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | 400-600 | 200-250 | | | | |
| CS6R-MS | 400-600 | 200-250 | | | | |
| CS6RA-MS | 300-450 | 200-250 | | | | |
| CS6RB-MS | 400-600 | 100-200 | | | | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | 350-650 | 100-300 | | | | |

6.2.5 Four clamps on short side of frame and rails parallel to the long side frame.



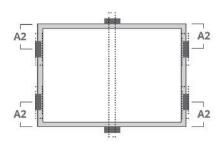
| | A2 Range (mm) | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Module Types | 0-200 | 170-210 | 200-250 | 200-300 | 250-300 | 230-250 | |
| | | | Max Mechan | ical Load (Pa) | | | |
| CS1VL-MS/CS1HA-MS | / +2400/-2400 / / | | | | | | |
| CS1V-MS | 1 | +2400/-2400 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS3K-P | 1 | 1 | +2000/-2000 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | +2200/-2200 | |
| CS1Y-MS | +1600/-1600 | 1 | +1800/-1800 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | +2000/-2000 | 1 | +2200/-2200 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | +2200/-2000 | 1 | 1 | +5400/-2400 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS6R-MS/CS6RA- MS/CS6RB-MS | +2200/-2200 | 1 | +2400/-2400 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | +2400/-2400 | 1 | 1 | 1 | +5400/-2400 | 1 | |

6.2.6 Four clamp mounting on short side of frame.



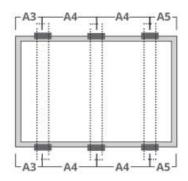
| | Max Mechanical Load (Pa) | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Module Types | +1000/- 1000 | +1200/- 1200 | +2000/- 2000 | +2200/- 2200 | +2200/- 2000 | +2400/- 2400 | +2600/- 2400 | |
| | | | A | 2 Range (mr | n) | | | |
| CS1VL-MS/CS1HA-MS | 1 | / / / 0-250 | | | | | | |
| CS1V-MS | / | / | 0-210 | / | 1 | 1 | | |
| CS3K-P | 1 | 1 | 0-200 | 200-250 | 1 | 1 | | |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P | 1 | / | 0-200 | 200-250 | 1 | 1 | | |
| CS3W-MS/CS3W-P | 0-200 | 200-250 | / | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | 1 | / | / | 1 | 0-200 | 1 | | |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | / | / | 0-200 | 200-250 | 1 | 1 | | |
| CS6R-MS/CS6RA-MS | / | / | / | 0-200 | 1 | 200-250 | | |
| CS6RB-MS | / | 1 | 1 | 1 | / | 0-200 | / | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | / | 1 | 1 | 1 | / | 0-200 | 200-250 | |
| CS6L-MS (Preliminary) | / | 0-250 | / | / | / | 1 | / | |

6.2.7 Four clamp mounting on short side of frame, and an additional support bar placed below the center of the module.



| | Max Mechanical Load (Pa) | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Module Types | +4000/-3000 +4000/-4000 | | +5400/-2400 | | | | |
| | A2 Range (mm) | | | | | | |
| CS1VL-MS/CS1HA-MS/CS3K- P/CS3U-P | 1 | 1 | 200-250 | | | | |
| CS1V-MS | 1 | 1 | 170-210 | | | | |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | 1 | 0-200 | 1 | | | | |
| CS6R-MS/CS6RA-MS/CS6RB-MS | 0-200 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | 1 | 0-200 | 1 | | | | |

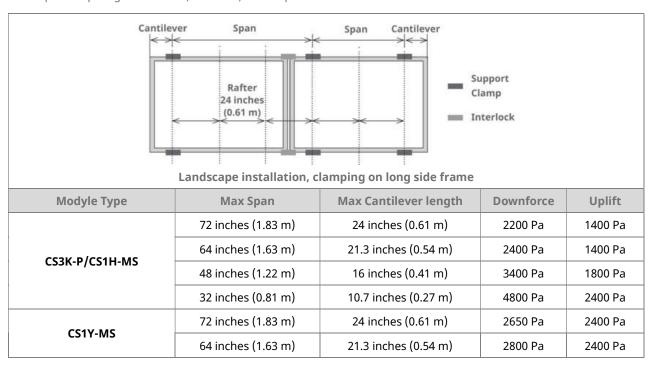
6.2.8 Six clamps on long side of frame and rails perpendicularly to the long side frame



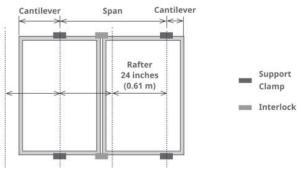
| | Max Mechanical Load (Pa) | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Module Types | +5400/- 2400 | +5400/-3600 | +6000/- 3600 | +6000/-4000 | +7500/- 5400 | +8100/- 5000 | +8100/- 6000 | |
| | | A3 & A5 Range (mm) | | | | | | |
| CS1H-MS | 80-380 | 1 | 1 | 0-250 | 1 | / | 1 | |
| CS1U-MS | 250-350 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | / | 1 | |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P | 1 | 140-440 | 1 | / | 1 | / | 1 | |
| CS3K-P | / | / | 1 | 80-380 | / | / | 1 | |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) | / | 1 | 1 | 1 | 300-550 | / | 350-450 | |
| CS6R- MS/CS6RB- MS/CS6RA-MS | 1 | 1 | 80-380 | / | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| CS6R-MS-HL | 100-600 | 1 | 1 | 300-550 | / | 350-450 | 1 | |

6.2.9 Rail-less clamping

* Clamp overlap length of 40mm (or 1.50 in) when uplift load > 2400 Pa is allowed.



| | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 3850 Pa | 3600 Pa |
|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------|---------|
| | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 5400 Pa | 3600 Pa |
| | 72 inches (1.83 m) | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 2200 Pa | 2200Pa |
| CC2N MC (F20 Fire in a)4 | 64 inches (1.63 m) | 21.3 inches (0.54 m) | 2400 Pa | 2200 Pa |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame)* | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 3000 Pa | 2400 Pa |
| | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 3600 Pa | 3600 Pa |
| | 72 inches (1.83 m) | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 2650 Pa | 2400 Pa |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) * | 64 inches (1.63 m) | 21.3 inches (0.54 m) | 2800 Pa | 2400 Pa |
| • | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 3600 Pa | 3600 Pa |
| • | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 4000 Pa | 3600 Pa |
| | 72 inches (1.83 m) | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 2650 Pa | 2400 Pa |
| CCCD MC III + | 64 inches (1.63 m) | 21.3 inches (0.54 m) | 2800 Pa | 2400 Pa |
| CS6R-MS-HL* | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 3600 Pa | 3600 Pa |
| | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 4000 Pa | 3600 Pa |
| | 1 2 | 21.00 | | |



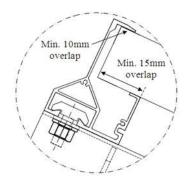
Portrait installation, clamping on short side frame

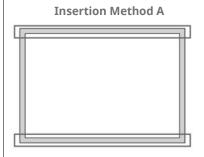
| Modyle Type | Max Span | Max Cantilever length | Downforce | Uplift |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------|
| | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 1800 Pa | 800 Pa |
| CS3K-P/CS1H-MS | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 1800 Pa | 1200 Pa |
| | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 8 inches (0.2 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| CS1Y-MS | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 8 inches (0.2 m) | 2000 Pa | 2000 Pa |
| | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 1600 Pa | 1600 Pa |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) * | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 1600 Pa | 1600 Pa |
| | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 8 inches (0.2 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| CS3N-MS (F23 Frame) * | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 8 inches (0.2 m) | 2000 Pa | 2000 Pa |
| CS6R-MS-HL* | 48 inches (1.22 m) | 16 inches (0.41 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| | 32 inches (0.81 m) | 10.7 inches (0.27 m) | 1800 Pa | 1800 Pa |
| | 24 inches (0.61 m) | 8 inches (0.2 m) | 2000 Pa | 2000 Pa |

6.3 INSERTION SYSTEMS

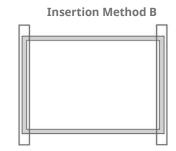
- This mounting method has been certified by VDE and CSA, or qualified by Canadian Solar.
- Insertion methods can vary and depend on the mounting structures. The installer needs to follow the mounting guidelines recommended by the mounting system supplier. Each module must be securely maintained through all its length on two opposite sides. Install and tighten the insertion profiles to the support structure using the hardware and instructions provided by the mounting system manufacturer. The system designer and installer are solely responsible for load calculations and for the proper design of support structure.
- Canadian Solar warranty may be void in cases where improper insertion systems or unsuitable installation methods are found. When installing insertion profiles, please take the following measures into account:

- 1. Do not bend the module frame.
- 2. Do not touch the front glass or cast shadow onto it.
- 3. Do not damage the surface of the frame.
- 4. Ensure that the insertion profiles overlap the module frame by at least 10 mm (0.39 in).
- 5. Ensure that the module frame (C-shape) overlaps the insertion profiles by at least 15 mm (0.59 in).
- 6. Ensure insertion profile thickness and tolerances suit module thickness.

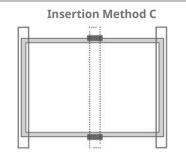




Two insertion profiles run parallel to long side frame.



Two insertion profiles run perpendicularly to long side frame.



An additional support bar used with clamps

| Installation Method Module Types | Insertion Method A | Insertion Method B | Insertion Method C |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| CS3U-P | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +1400Pa/-1400Pa | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |
| CS1H-MS | +2400Pa/-2400Pa | 1 | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |
| CS3W-MS/CS3W-P | +4000Pa/-2400Pa | +1200Pa/-1200Pa | 1 |
| CS3L-MS/CS3L-P | +4000Pa/-2400Pa | +2200Pa/-2200Pa | 1 |
| CS6R-MS/CS6RA-MS/CS6RB-MS | +4000Pa/-2400Pa | +2200Pa/-2200Pa | 1 |
| CS6W-MS (F35A Frame) | +4000Pa/-2400Pa | +1500Pa/-1200Pa | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |
| CS1Y-MS | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +1800Pa/-1800Pa | 1 |
| CS3N-MS (F30 Frame) | 1 | +1600Pa/-1600Pa | 1 |
| CS6R-MS-HL | +5400Pa/-2400Pa | +2400Pa/-2400Pa | +5400Pa/-2400Pa |
| CS6L-MS (Preliminary) | +3600Pa/-2400Pa | +1200Pa/-1200Pa | / |

7.0 MAINTENANCE

- Do not make modifications to any component of the PV module (diode, junction box, connectors or others).
- Regular maintenance is required to keep modules clear of snow, bird droppings, seeds, pollen, leaves, branches, dirt spots, and dust.
- Modules with sufficient tilt (at least 15°), generally may not require cleaning (rain will have a self-cleaning effect). If the module has become soiled, wash with water and a non-abrasive cleaning implement (sponge) during the cool part of the day. Do not scrape or rub dry dirt away, as this may cause micro scratches.
- Snow should be removed using a soft brush.
- Periodically inspect the system to check the integrity of all wiring and supports.
- To protect against electric shock or injury, electrical or mechanical inspections and maintenance should be performed by qualified personnel only.

8.0 MODULE CLEANING GUIDELINES

This manual covers the requirements for the cleaning procedure of Canadian Solar photovoltaic modules. The purpose of these cleaning guidelines is to provide general information for cleaning Canadian Solar modules. System users and professional installers should read these guidelines carefully and strictly follow these instructions.

Failure to follow these instructions may result in death, injury or damage to the photovoltaic modules. Damages induced by inappropriate cleaning procedures will void Canadian Solar warranty.



SAFETY WARNING

- Cleaning activities create risk of damaging the modules and array components, as well as increasing the potential electric shock hazard.
- Cracked or broken modules represent an electric shock hazard due to leakage currents, and the risk of shock is increased when modules are wet. Before cleaning, thoroughly inspect modules for cracks, damage, and

loose connections.

- The voltage and current present in an array during daylight hours are sufficient to cause a lethal electrical shock.
- Ensure that the circuit is disconnected before starting the cleaning procedure as contact with leakage of electrically active parts can result in injury.
- Ensure that the array has been disconnected to other active components (such as inverter or combiner boxes) before starting with the cleaning.
- Wear suitable protection (clothes, insulated gloves, etc.).
- **Do not** immerse the module, partially or totally, in water or any other cleaning solution.
- Rear side cleaning of the modules is not required. If cleaning the rear of a module is desired, care should be taken to ensure there is no damage caused to the backsheet by simply clearing the contaminant by hand or with a soft sponge.

HANDLING NOTICE

NOTICE

- Use a proper cleaning solution and suitable cleaning equipment.
- Do not use abrasive or electric cleaners on the module.
- Particular attention should be taken to avoid the module backsheet or frame to come in contact with sharp objects, as scratches may directly affect product safety.
- **Do not** use abrasive cleaners, de-greasers or any unauthorized chemical substance (e.g. oil, lubricant, pesticide, Gasoline, white flower oil, active oil, mold temperature oil, machine oil (such as KV46), grease (such as Molykote EM-SOL, etc.), lubricating oil, antirust oil, stamping oil, butter, cooking oil, propyl alcohol, ethyl alcohol, essential oil, bone-setting water, Tianna water, mold release agent (such as Pelicoat S-6, etc.), glue and potting glue that can generate oxime gas (such as KE200, CX-200, Chemlok, etc.), TBP (plasticizer), cleaning agents, pesticide, paint strippers, adhesives,

antirust agent, disincrustant, emulsifying agent, cutting oils and cosmetics etc.) on the module. Please contact your Canadian Solar representative for more detailed requirements.

- Do not use cleaning corrosive solutions containing hydrofluoric acid, alkali, acetone, or industrial alcohol.
 Only substances explicitly approved by Canadian Solar are allowed to be used for cleaning modules.
- For cleaning methods using rotating brush, please consult with Canadian Solar's technical support before using.
- Dirt must never be scraped or rubbed away when dry, as this will cause micro-scratches on the glass surface.
 The module damage due to improper dry cleaning method will void Canadian Solar's warranty.
- Improper cleaning equipment design may cause localized heavy loads onto the module. Localized heavy loads may cause severe micro-cracks at cell level, which in turn may compromise module reliability and void Canadian Solar's warranty. Please consult the Canadian Solar technical support department for information on the use of cleaning solutions and loading specifications.

OPERATION PREPARATION

- Noticeable dirt must be rubbed away by gentle cleaning implement (soft cloth, sponge or brush with soft bristles).
- Ensure that brushes or agitating tools are not abrasive to glass, EPDM, silicone, aluminum, or steel.
- Conduct the cleaning activities avoiding the hottest hours of the day, in order to avoid thermal stress on the module.

CLEANING METHODS

Method A: Compressed Air

Canadian Solar recommends cleaning the soft dirt (like dust) on modules just with air pressure. This technique can be applied as long as the method is efficient enough considering the existing conditions.

Method B: Wet cleaning

If excessive soiling is present on the module surface, a

non-conductive brush, sponge, or other mild agitating method may be used with caution.

- Ensure that any brushes or agitating tools are constructed with non-conductive materials to minimize risk of electric shock and that they are not abrasive to the glass or the aluminum frame.
- If grease is present, an environmental-friendly cleaning agent may be used with caution.
- Canadian Solar recommends the following to be used:
 - Water with low mineral content
 - Near neutral pH water
 - The maximum water pressure recommended is 4 MPa (40 bar)

ANNEX A: MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL RATINGS

Standard Test Conditions are: Irradiance of 1000 W/m^2 , AM1.5 spectrum, and cell temperature of 25°C. The tolerance of electrical characteristics is respectively within

 $\pm 3\%$ for Pmax, and $\pm 5\%$ for Isc & Voc. Specifications are subject to change without notice.

Table A: Mechanical and electrical ratings under STC

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|---------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| CS3U- 310P | 310 | 37.2 | 8.34 | 44.7 | 8.88 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 315P | 315 | 37.4 | 8.43 | 44.9 | 8.96 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 320P | 320 | 37.6 | 8.52 | 45.1 | 9.04 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 325P | 325 | 37.8 | 8.60 | 45.3 | 9.12 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 330P | 330 | 38.0 | 8.69 | 45.5 | 9.20 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 335P | 335 | 38.2 | 8.77 | 45.7 | 9.28 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 340P | 340 | 38.4 | 8.86 | 45.9 | 9.36 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 345P | 345 | 38.6 | 8.94 | 46.1 | 9.44 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 350P | 350 | 39.2 | 8.94 | 46.6 | 9.51 | 30 | 2000 x 992 x 40/35 | 22.6 / 22.5 |
| CS3U- 355P | 355 | 39.4 | 9.02 | 46.8 | 9.59 | 30 | (78.7 x 39.1 x 1.57/1.38 in) | (49.8 / 49.6 lbs) |
| CS3U- 360P | 360 | 39.6 | 9.10 | 47.0 | 9.67 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 365P | 365 | 39.8 | 9.18 | 47.2 | 9.75 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 370P | 370 | 40.0 | 9.26 | 47.4 | 9.83 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 375P | 375 | 40.2 | 9.34 | 47.6 | 9.91 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 380P | 380 | 40.4 | 9.42 | 47.8 | 9.99 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 385P | 385 | 40.6 | 9.50 | 48.0 | 10.07 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 390P | 390 | 40.8 | 9.56 | 48.6 | 10.17 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 395P | 395 | 41.0 | 9.64 | 48.8 | 10.24 | 30 | | |

| | | | | Open | Short | Max. | | |
|---------------|----------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Model Type | Maximum power Pmax <w></w> | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Circuit Current Isc <a> | Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
| CS3U- 400P | 400 | 41.2 | 9.71 | 49.0 | 10.30 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 405P | 405 | 41.4 | 9.79 | 49.2 | 10.37 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 410P | 410 | 41.6 | 9.86 | 49.4 | 10.43 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 415P | 415 | 41.8 | 9.93 | 49.6 | 10.49 | 30 | | |
| CS3U- 420P | 420 | 42.0 | 10.00 | 49.8 | 10.55 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 250P | 250 | 30.0 | 8.34 | 36.7 | 8.98 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 255P | 255 | 30.2 | 8.45 | 36.9 | 9.06 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 260P | 260 | 30.4 | 8.56 | 37.1 | 9.14 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 265P | 265 | 30.6 | 8.66 | 37.3 | 9.22 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 270P | 270 | 30.8 | 8.77 | 37.5 | 9.30 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 275P | 275 | 31.0 | 8.88 | 37.7 | 9.38 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 280P | 280 | 31.2 | 8.98 | 37.9 | 9.47 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 285P | 285 | 31.4 | 9.08 | 38.1 | 9.56 | 30 | 1675 x 992 x | |
| CS3K- 290P | 290 | 32.3 | 8.98 | 38.9 | 9.49 | 30. | 40/35 (65.9 x 39.1 x | 18.5 (40.8 lbs) |
| CS3K- 295P | 295 | 32.5 | 9.08 | 39.1 | 9.57 | 30. | 1.57/1.38 in) | |
| CS3K- 300P | 300 | 32.7 | 9.18 | 39.3 | 9.65 | 30. | | |
| CS3K- 305P | 305 | 32.9 | 9.28 | 39.5 | 9.73 | 30. | | |
| CS3K- 310P | 310 | 33.1 | 9.37 | 39.7 | 9.81 | 30. | | |
| CS3K- 315P | 315 | 33.3 | 9.46 | 39.9 | 9.89 | 30. | | |
| CS3K- 320P | 320 | 33.5 | 9.56 | 40.1 | 9.97 | 30. | | |
| CS3K- 325P | 325 | 33.7 | 9.65 | 40.9 | 10.21 | 30. | | |
| CS3K- 330P | 330 | 33.9 | 9.74 | 41.1 | 10.29 | 30 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|-----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| CS3K- 335P | 335 | 34.1 | 9.83 | 41.3 | 10.37 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 340P | 340 | 34.3 | 9.92 | 41.5 | 10.45 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 345P | 345 | 34.5 | 10.00 | 41.7 | 10.52 | 30 | | |
| CS3K- 350P | 350 | 34.7 | 10.09 | 41.9 | 10.60 | 30 | | |
| CS1V- 240MS | 240 | 28.3 | 8.48 | 34.7 | 9.15 | 15 | | |
| CS1V- 245MS | 245 | 28.6 | 8.58 | 34.9 | 9.22 | 15 | | |
| CS1V- 250MS | 250 | 28.8 | 8.68 | 35.1 | 9.29 | 15 | | |
| CS1V- 255MS | 255 | 29.0 | 8.79 | 35.3 | 9.37 | 15 | | |
| CS1V- 260MS | 260 | 29.2 | 8.89 | 35.5 | 9.44 | 15 | 1638 x 826 x 40 (64.5 x 32.5 x | 15.4 (34.0 lbs) |
| CS1V- 265MS | 265 | 29.4 | 9.00 | 35.7 | 9.51 | 15 | 1.57 in) | |
| CS1V- 270MS | 270 | 29.6 | 9.11 | 35.9 | 9.59 | 15 | | |
| CS1V- 275MS | 275 | 29.8 | 9.22 | 36.1 | 9.66 | 15 | | |
| CS1V- 280MS | 280 | 30.0 | 9.33 | 36.3 | 9.74 | 15 | | |
| CS1V- 285MS | 285 | 30.2 | 9.44 | 36.5 | 9.82 | 15 | | |
| CS1VL- 190MS | 190 | 22.5 | 8.45 | 27.6 | 9.10 | 15 | | |
| CS1VL- 195MS | 195 | 22.7 | 8.58 | 27.8 | 9.22 | 15 | | |
| CS1VL- 200MS | 200 | 22.9 | 8.73 | 28.0 | 9.34 | 15 | | |
| CS1VL- 205MS | 205 | 23.1 | 8.88 | 28.2 | 9.46 | 15 | 1322 x 826 x 35 | 12.6 |
| CS1VL- 210MS | 210 | 23.3 | 9.01 | 28.4 | 9.58 | 15 | (52.05 x 32.5 x 1.38 in) | (27.8 lbs) |
| CS1VL- 215MS | 215 | 23.5 | 9.15 | 28.6 | 9.70 | 15 | | |
| CS1VL- 220MS | 220 | 23.7 | 9.28 | 28.8 | 9.82 | 15 | | |
| CS1VL- 225MS | 225 | 23.9 | 9.41 | 29.0 | 9.97 | 15 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|------------------|
| CS1K- 310MS | 310 | 35.2 | 8.82 | 43.1 | 9.37 | 20 | | |
| CS1K- 315MS | 315 | 35.4 | 8.91 | 43.2 | 9.44 | 20 | | |
| CS1K- 320MS | 320 | 35.6 | 9.00 | 43.3 | 9.51 | 20 | | |
| CS1K- 325MS | 325 | 35.8 | 9.09 | 43.4 | 9.58 | 20 | | |
| CS1K- 330MS | 330 | 36.0 | 9.18 | 43.5 | 9.65 | 20 | 1675 x 992 x 35 (65.9 x 39.1 x | 18.5 |
| CS1K- 335MS | 335 | 36.2 | 9.27 | 43.6 | 9.73 | 20 | 1.38 in) | (40.8 lbs) |
| CS1K- 340MS | 340 | 36.4 | 9.35 | 43.7 | 9.81 | 20 | | |
| CS1K- 345MS | 345 | 36.6 | 9.43 | 43.8 | 9.88 | 20 | | |
| CS1K- 350MS | 350 | 36.8 | 9.51 | 43.9 | 9.95 | 20 | | |
| CS1K- 355MS | 355 | 37.0 | 9.60 | 44.0 | 10.02 | 20 | | |
| CS1H- 315MS | 315 | 36.2 | 8.85 | 44.0 | 9.60 | 16 | | |
| CS1H- 325MS | 325 | 36.6 | 8.88 | 44.1 | 9.64 | 16 | | |
| CS1H- 330MS | 330 | 37.0 | 8.92 | 44.2 | 9.68 | 16 | 1700 x 992 x 35 | 19.2 |
| CS1H- 335MS | 335 | 37.4 | 8.96 | 44.3 | 9.72 | 16 | (66.9 x 39.1 x 1.38 in) | (42.3 lbs) |
| CS1H- 340MS | 340 | 37.8 | 9.00 | 44.5 | 9.76 | 16 | | |
| CS1H- 345MS | 345 | 38.2 | 9.04 | 44.6 | 9.80 | 16 | | |
| CS1U- 385MS | 385 | 43.5 | 8.86 | 53.1 | 9.45 | 15 | | |
| CS1U- 390MS | 390 | 43.7 | 8.93 | 53.2 | 9.50 | 15 | | |
| CS1U- 395MS | 395 | 43.9 | 9.01 | 53.3 | 9.55 | 15 | 2078 x 992 x 35 | 23.4 |
| CS1U- 400MS | 400 | 44.1 | 9.08 | 53.4 | 9.60 | 15 | (81.8 x 39.1 x 1.38 in) | (51.6 lbs) |
| CS1U- 405MS | 405 | 44.3 | 9.16 | 53.5 | 9.65 | 15 | | |
| CS1U- 410MS | 410 | 44.5 | 9.23 | 53.6 | 9.70 | 15 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|------------------|
| CS1U- 415MS | 415 | 44.7 | 9.30 | 53.7 | 9.75 | 15 | | |
| CS1U- 420MS | 420 | 44.9 | 9.37 | 53.8 | 9.80 | 15 | | |
| CS1U- 425MS | 425 | 45.1 | 9.44 | 53.9 | 9.85 | 15 | | |
| CS1U- 430MS | 430 | 45.3 | 9.51 | 54.0 | 9.90 | 15 | | |
| CS1Y- 380MS | 380 | 42.7 | 8.89 | 51.5 | 9.74 | 16 | | |
| CS1Y- 385MS | 385 | 42.9 | 8.97 | 51.7 | 9.78 | 16 | | |
| CS1Y- 390MS | 390 | 43.1 | 9.05 | 51.9 | 9.82 | 16 | | |
| CS1Y- 395MS | 395 | 43.3 | 9.13 | 52.1 | 9.86 | 16 | 2021 x 996 x 35 (79.6 x 39.2 x | 24.0 |
| CS1Y- 400MS | 400 | 43.5 | 9.20 | 52.3 | 9.90 | 16 | 1.38 in) | (52.9 lbs) |
| CS1Y- 405MS | 405 | 43.7 | 9.27 | 52.5 | 9.94 | 16 | | |
| CS1Y- 410MS | 410 | 43.8 | 9.37 | 52.7 | 9.98 | 16 | | |
| CS1Y- 415MS | 415 | 44.0 | 9.44 | 52.8 | 10.02 | 16 | | |
| CS3W- 385P | 385 | 38.1 | 10.11 | 46.6 | 10.66 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 390P | 390 | 38.3 | 10.19 | 46.8 | 10.74 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 395P | 395 | 38.5 | 10.26 | 47.0 | 10.82 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 400P | 400 | 38.7 | 10.34 | 47.2 | 10.90 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 405P | 405 | 38.9 | 10.42 | 47.4 | 10.98 | 20 | 2108 x 1048 x 40/35 | 24.3 |
| CS3W- 410P | 410 | 39.1 | 10.49 | 47.6 | 11.06 | 20 | (83.0 x 41.3 x 1.57/1.38 in) | (53.6lbs) |
| CS3W- 415P | 415 | 39.3 | 10.56 | 47.8 | 11.14 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 420P | 420 | 39.5 | 10.64 | 48.0 | 11.26 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 425P | 425 | 39.7 | 10.71 | 48.2 | 11.29 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 430P | 430 | 39.9 | 10.78 | 48.4 | 11.32 | 20 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| CS3W- 435P | 435 | 40.1 | 10.85 | 48.6 | 11.35 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 440P | 440 | 40.3 | 10.92 | 48.7 | 11.40 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 445P | 445 | 40.5 | 10.99 | 48.8 | 11.45 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 320P | 320 | 31.8 | 10.07 | 38.8 | 10.66 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 325P | 325 | 32.0 | 10.16 | 39.0 | 10.74 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 330P | 330 | 32.2 | 10.24 | 39.2 | 10.82 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 335P | 335 | 32.4 | 10.34 | 39.4 | 10.90 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 340P | 340 | 32.6 | 10.43 | 39.6 | 10.98 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 345P | 345 | 32.8 | 10.52 | 39.8 | 11.06 | 20 | 1765 x 1048 x | |
| CS3L- 350P | 350 | 33.0 | 10.61 | 40.2 | 11.24 | 20 | 40/35 (69.5 x 41.3 x | 20.5 (45.2lbs) |
| CS3L- 355P | 355 | 33.2 | 10.70 | 40.4 | 11.31 | 20 | 1.57/1.38 in) | |
| CS3L- 360P | 360 | 33.4 | 10.78 | 40.6 | 11.37 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 365P | 365 | 33.6 | 10.87 | 40.8 | 11.44 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 370P | 370 | 33.8 | 10.95 | 41.0 | 11.51 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 375P | 375 | 34.0 | 11.03 | 41.2 | 11.59 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 380P | 380 | 34.2 | 11.12 | 41.4 | 11.68 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 415MS | 415 | 39.7 | 10.46 | 47.7 | 11.22 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 420MS | 420 | 39.9 | 10.53 | 47.9 | 11.27 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 425MS | 425 | 40.1 | 10.60 | 48.1 | 11.32 | 20 | 2108 x 1048 x 40/35 | 24.3 |
| CS3W- 430MS | 430 | 40.3 | 10.68 | 48.3 | 11.37 | 20 | (83.0 x 41.3 x 1.57/1.38 in) | (53.6lbs) |
| CS3W- 435MS | 435 | 40.5 | 10.75 | 48.5 | 11.42 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 440MS | 440 | 40.7 | 10.82 | 48.7 | 11.48 | 20 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|-----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|------------------|
| CS3W- 445MS | 445 | 40.9 | 10.89 | 48.9 | 11.54 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 450MS | 450 | 41.1 | 10.96 | 49.1 | 11.60 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 455MS | 455 | 41.3 | 11.02 | 49.3 | 11.66 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 460MS | 460 | 41.5 | 11.09 | 49.5 | 11.72 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 465MS | 465 | 41.7 | 11.16 | 49.7 | 11.78 | 20 | | |
| CS3W- 470MS | 470 | 41.9 | 11.22 | 49.9 | 11.84 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 345MS | 345 | 33.1 | 10.43 | 39.8 | 11.23 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 350MS | 350 | 33.3 | 10.52 | 40.0 | 11.28 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 355MS | 355 | 33.5 | 10.61 | 40.2 | 11.33 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 360MS | 360 | 33.7 | 10.69 | 40.4 | 11.40 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 365MS | 365 | 33.9 | 10.78 | 40.6 | 11.47 | 20 | 1765 x 1048 x 40/35 | 20.5 |
| CS3L- 370MS | 370 | 34.1 | 10.86 | 40.8 | 11.54 | 20 | (69.5 x 41.3 x 1.57/1.38 in) | (45.2 lbs) |
| CS3L- 375MS | 375 | 34.3 | 10.94 | 41.0 | 11.61 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 380MS | 380 | 34.5 | 11.02 | 41.2 | 11.68 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 385MS | 385 | 34.7 | 11.10 | 41.4 | 11.75 | 20 | | |
| CS3L- 390MS | 390 | 34.9 | 11.18 | 41.6 | 11.82 | 20 | | |
| CS3LA- 290MS | 290 | 26.9 | 10.78 | 32.5 | 11.47 | 20 | | |
| CS3LA- 295MS | 295 | 27.2 | 10.86 | 32.6 | 11.54 | 20 | 1424 x 1048 x 35 | 17.0 |
| CS3LA- 300MS | 300 | 27.4 | 10.94 | 32.8 | 11.61 | 20 | (56.1 x 41.3 x 1.38 in) | (37.5 lbs) |
| CS3LA- 305MS | 305 | 27.7 | 11.02 | 33.0 | 11.68 | 20 | | |
| CS3LB- 240MS | 240 | 22.4 | 10.71 | 27.1 | 11.47 | 20 | 1765 x 709 x 35 | 14.5 |
| CS3LB- 245MS | 245 | 22.7 | 10.82 | 27.2 | 11.54 | 20 | (69.5 x 27.9 x 1.38 in) | (32.0 lbs) |

| Model Type | Maximum power Pmax <w></w> | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|--------------------|
| CS3LB- 250MS | 250 | 22.9 | 10.94 | 27.3 | 11.61 | 20 | | |
| CS3LB- 255MS | 255 | 23.1 | 11.05 | 27.5 | 11.72 | 20 | | |
| CS1HA- 265MS | 265 | 29.9 | 8.86 | 36.1 | 9.45 | 15 | | |
| CS1HA- 270MS | 270 | 30.3 | 8.92 | 36.3 | 9.49 | 15 | 4205 002 25 | |
| CS1HA- 275MS | 275 | 30.6 | 8.99 | 36.5 | 9.53 | 15 | 1395 x 992 x 35 (54.9 x 39.1 x 1.38 in) | 15.8 (34.8Ibs) |
| CS1HA- 280MS | 280 | 30.9 | 9.07 | 36.8 | 9.57 | 15 | | |
| CS1HA- 285MS | 285 | 31.2 | 9.14 | 37.2 | 9.61 | 15 | | |
| CS3Y- 420P | 420 | 41.2 | 10.20 | 50.4 | 10.98 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 425P | 425 | 41.4 | 10.27 | 50.6 | 11.03 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 430P | 430 | 41.6 | 10.34 | 50.8 | 11.08 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 435P | 435 | 41.8 | 10.41 | 51.0 | 11.13 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 440P | 440 | 42.0 | 10.48 | 51.2 | 11.18 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 445P | 445 | 42.2 | 10.55 | 51.4 | 11.23 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 450P | 450 | 42.4 | 10.62 | 51.6 | 11.28 | 20 | 2252 x 1048 x | |
| CS3Y- 455P | 455 | 42.6 | 10.69 | 51.8 | 11.33 | 20 | 35 (88.7 x 41.3 x | 25.7 (56.7 lbs) |
| CS3Y- 460P | 460 | 42.8 | 10.75 | 52.0 | 11.38 | 20 | 1.38 in) | |
| CS3Y- 465P | 465 | 43.0 | 10.82 | 52.2 | 11.43 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 470P | 470 | 43.2 | 10.88 | 52.4 | 11.48 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 475P | 475 | 43.4 | 10.95 | 52.6 | 11.53 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 480P | 480 | 43.6 | 11.01 | 52.8 | 11.58 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 485P | 485 | 43.8 | 11.08 | 53.0 | 11.63 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 490P | 490 | 44.0 | 11.14 | 53.2 | 11.68 | 20 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|-----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|-------------------------------|
| CS3Y- 495P | 495 | 44.2 | 11.20 | 53.4 | 11.73 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 465MS | 465 | 43.6 | 10.67 | 52.3 | 11.42 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 470MS | 470 | 43.8 | 10.74 | 52.5 | 11.47 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 475MS | 475 | 44.0 | 10.81 | 52.7 | 11.52 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 480MS | 480 | 44.2 | 10.87 | 52.9 | 11.57 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 485MS | 485 | 44.4 | 10.94 | 53.1 | 11.62 | 20 | 2252 x 1048 x 35 | 25.7 |
| CS3Y- 490MS | 490 | 44.6 | 11.00 | 53.3 | 11.67 | 20 | (88.7 x 41.3 x 1.38 in) | (56.7 lbs) |
| CS3Y- 495MS | 495 | 44.8 | 11.06 | 53.5 | 11.72 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 500MS | 500 | 45.0 | 11.12 | 53.7 | 11.77 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 505MS | 505 | 45.2 | 11.18 | 53.9 | 11.82 | 20 | | |
| CS3Y- 510MS | 510 | 45.4 | 11.24 | 54.1 | 11.87 | 20 | | |
| CS3SA- 320MS | 320 | 33.5 | 9.57 | 40.1 | 10.22 | 20 | | |
| CS3SA- 325MS | 325 | 33.7 | 9.66 | 40.3 | 10.30 | 20 | | |
| CS3SA- 330MS | 330 | 33.9 | 9.75 | 40.5 | 10.38 | 20 | 1680 x 996 x 35 (66.1 x 39.2 x 1.38 in) | 18.8 (41.4 lbs) |
| CS3SA- 335MS | 335 | 34.1 | 9.84 | 40.7 | 10.46 | 20 | 1.30 111, | |
| CS3SA- 340MS | 340 | 34.3 | 9.93 | 40.9 | 10.54 | 20 | | |
| CS3N- 385MS | 385 | 36.6 | 10.52 | 43.9 | 11.32 | 20 | | |
| CS3N- 390MS | 390 | 36.8 | 10.60 | 44.1 | 11.38 | 20 | | 22.5 |
| CS3N- 395MS | 395 | 37.0 | 10.68 | 44.3 | 11.44 | 20 | 1940 x 1048 x 35 | 22.5 (49.6 lbs)(F30 Frame) |
| CS3N- 400MS | 400 | 37.2 | 10.76 | 44.5 | 11.50 | 20 | (76.4 x 41.3 x 1.38 in) | or 23.4 |
| CS3N- 405MS | 405 | 37.4 | 10.83 | 44.7 | 11.56 | 20 | | (51.6 lbs)(F23 Frame) |
| CS3N- 410MS | 410 | 37.6 | 10.92 | 44.9 | 11.62 | 20 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|--------------------|
| CS3N- 415MS | 415 | 37.8 | 10.98 | 45.1 | 11.68 | 20 | | |
| CS3N- 420MS | 420 | 38.0 | 1106 | 45.3 | 11.74 | 20 | | |
| CS3N- 425MS | 425 | 38.2 | 11.13 | 45.5 | 11.80 | 20 | | |
| CS6W- 515MS | 515 | 40.3 | 12.78 | 48.2 | 13.65 | 25 | | |
| CS6W- 520MS | 520 | 40.5 | 12.84 | 48.4 | 13.70 | 25 | | |
| CS6W- 525MS | 525 | 40.7 | 12.90 | 48.6 | 13.75 | 25 | | |
| CS6W- 530MS | 530 | 40.9 | 12.96 | 48.8 | 13.80 | 25 | | |
| CS6W- 535MS | 535 | 41.1 | 13.02 | 49.0 | 13.85 | 25 | 2261 x 1134 x 35/30 | 28.2/27.6 |
| CS6W- 540MS | 540 | 41.3 | 13.08 | 49.2 | 13.90 | 25 | (89.0/89.7 x 44.6 x 1.38/1.18 in) | (62.2 /60.9lbs) |
| CS6W- 545MS | 545 | 41.5 | 13.14 | 49.4 | 13.95 | 25 | , | |
| CS6W- 550MS | 550 | 41.7 | 13.20 | 49.6 | 14.00 | 25 | | |
| CS6W- 555MS | 555 | 41.9 | 13.25 | 49.8 | 14.05 | 25 | | |
| CS6W- 560MS | 560 | 42.1 | 13.31 | 50.0 | 14.10 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 380MS | 380 | 30.0 | 12.69 | 36.0 | 13.55 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 385MS | 385 | 30.2 | 12.77 | 36.2 | 13.63 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 390MS | 390 | 30.4 | 12.84 | 36.4 | 13.70 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 395MS | 395 | 30.6 | 12.91 | 36.6 | 13.77 | 25 | 1722 × 1134 × 30 (67.8 × 44.6 × | 21.3 (47.0 lbs) |
| CS6R- 400MS | 400 | 30.8 | 12.99 | 36.8 | 13.85 | 25 | 1.18 in) | |
| CS6R- 405MS | 405 | 31.0 | 13.07 | 37.0 | 13.93 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 410MS | 410 | 31.2 | 13.15 | 37.2 | 14.01 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 415MS | 415 | 31.4 | 13.23 | 37.4 | 14.09 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 420MS | 420 | 31.6 | 13.31 | 37.6 | 14.17 | 25 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|-------------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------|
| CS6R- 380MS-HL | 380 | 30.0 | 12.69 | 36.0 | 13.55 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 385MS-HL | 385 | 30.2 | 12.77 | 36.2 | 13.63 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 390MS-HL | 390 | 30.4 | 12.84 | 36.4 | 13.70 | 25 | | 22.4 (49.4 lbs) |
| CS6R- 395MS-HL | 395 | 30.6 | 12.91 | 36.6 | 13.77 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 400MS-HL | 400 | 30.8 | 12.99 | 36.8 | 13.85 | 25 | 1722 × 1134 × 35 | |
| CS6R- 405MS-HL | 405 | 31.0 | 13.07 | 37.0 | 13.93 | 25 | (67.8 × 44.6 × 1.38 in) | |
| CS6R- 410MS-HL | 410 | 31.2 | 13.15 | 37.2 | 14.01 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 415MS-HL | 415 | 31.4 | 13.23 | 37.4 | 14.09 | 25 | | |
| CS6R- 420MS-HL | 420 | 31.6 | 13.31 | 37.6 | 14.17 | 25 | | |
| CS7N- 635MS | 635 | 37.3 | 17.03 | 44.4 | 18.27 | 30 | | |
| CS7N- 640MS | 640 | 37.5 | 17.07 | 44.6 | 18.31 | 30 | | 34.4 (75.8 lbs) |
| CS7N- 645MS | 645 | 37.7 | 17.11 | 44.8 | 18.35 | 30 | | |
| CS7N- 650MS | 650 | 37.9 | 17.16 | 45.0 | 18.39 | 30 | 2384 × 1303 × 35 | |
| CS7N- 655MS | 655 | 38.1 | 17.20 | 45.2 | 18.43 | 30 | (93.9 × 51.3 × 1.38 in) | |
| CS7N- 660MS | 660 | 38.3 | 17.24 | 45.4 | 18.47 | 30 | | |
| CS7N- 665MS | 665 | 38.5 | 17.28 | 45.6 | 18.51 | 30 | | |
| CS7N- 670MS | 670 | 38.7 | 17.32 | 45.8 | 18.55 | 30 | | |
| CS7L- 575MS | 575 | 33.9 | 16.97 | 40.3 | 18.22 | 30 | | |
| CS7L- 580MS | 580 | 34.1 | 17.02 | 40.5 | 18.27 | 30 | 2172 x 1303 x 35/33 31 (85.5 × 51.3 × (68.3 lbs 1.38/1.30 in) | |
| CS7L- 585MS | 585 | 34.3 | 17.06 | 40.7 | 18.32 | 30 | | (68.3 lbs) |
| CS7L- 590MS | 590 | 34.5 | 17.11 | 40.9 | 18.37 | 30 | | |

| Model Type | Maximum power Pmax <w></w> | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| CS7L- 595MS | 595 | 34.7 | 17.15 | 41.1 | 18.42 | 30 | | |
| CS7L- 600MS | 600 | 34.9 | 17.20 | 41.3 | 18.47 | 30 | | |
| CS7L- 605MS | 605 | 35.1 | 17.25 | 41.5 | 18.52 | 30 | | |
| CS7L- 610MS | 610 | 35.3 | 17.29 | 41.7 | 18.57 | 30 | | |
| CS7L-575MS- R | 575 | 33.9 | 16.97 | 40.3 | 18.22 | 30 | | |
| CS7L-580MS- R | 580 | 34.1 | 17.02 | 40.5 | 18.27 | 30 | | |
| CS7L-585MS- R | 585 | 34.3 | 17.06 | 40.7 | 18.32 | 30 | | |
| CS7L-590MS- R | 590 | 34.5 | 17.11 | 40.9 | 18.37 | 30 | 2172 x 1303 x 35 | 31 (68.3 lbs) |
| CS7L-595MS- | 595 | 34.7 | 17.15 | 41.1 | 18.42 | 30 | (85.5 × 51.3 × 1.38 in) | |
| CS7L-600MS- | 600 | 34.9 | 17.20 | 41.3 | 18.47 | 30 | | |
| CS7L-605MS- | 605 | 35.1 | 17.25 | 41.5 | 18.52 | 30 | | |
| CS7L-610MS- | 610 | 35.3 | 17.29 | 41.7 | 18.57 | 30 | | |
| CS6W-550T Preliminary | 550 | 41.9 | 13.13 | 51.0 | 13.59 | 25 | | |
| CS6W-555T Preliminary | 555 | 42.1 | 13.19 | 51.2 | 13.64 | 25 | | 27.8 (61.3 lbs) |
| CS6W-560T Preliminary | 560 | 42.3 | 13.24 | 51.4 | 13.69 | 25 | 2278 x 1134 x 30 | |
| CS6W-565T Preliminary | 565 | 42.5 | 13.30 | 51.6 | 13.75 | 25 | (89.7 × 44.6 × 1.18 in) | |
| CS6W-570T Preliminary | 570 | 42.7 | 13.35 | 51.8 | 13.81 | 25 | | |
| CS6W-575T Preliminary | 575 | 42.9 | 13.41 | 52.0 | 13.88 | 25 | | |
| CS6R-410T Preliminary | 410 | 31.2 | 13.15 | 38.2 | 13.61 | 25 | | |
| CS6R-415T Preliminary | 415 | 31.4 | 13.22 | 38.4 | 13.66 | 25 | | 21.5 (47.4 lbs) |
| CS6R-420T Preliminary | 420 | 31.6 | 13.30 | 38.6 | 13.71 | 25 | | |

| Model Type | | voltage | Operating current Imp <a> | Open Circuit Voltage Voc <v></v> | Short Circuit Current Isc <a> | Max. Series Fuse Rating <a> | Overall Dimensions <mm></mm> | Weight <kg></kg> |
|--------------------------|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------|
| CS6R-425T Preliminary | 425 | 31.8 | 13.37 | 38.8 | 13.78 | 25 | | |
| CS6R-430T Preliminary | 430 | 32.0 | 13.44 | 39.0 | 13.86 | 25 | | |
| CS6R-435T Preliminary | 435 | 32.2 | 13.51 | 39.2 | 13.94 | 25 | | |
| CS6L- 445MS | 445 | 34.2 | 13.03 | 40.8 | 13.86 | 25 | | |
| CS6L- 450MS | 450 | 34.4 | 13.10 | 41.0 | 13.90 | 25 | 1903 x 1134 x | 24.2 (53.4 lbs) |
| CS6L- 455MS | 455 | 34.6 | 13.17 | 41.2 | 13.95 | 25 | 30 (74.9 × 44.6 × | |
| CS6L- 460MS | 460 | 34.8 | 13.24 | 41.4 | 14.00 | 25 | 1.18 in) | |
| CS6L- 465MS | 465 | 35.0 | 13.30 | 41.6 | 14.09 | 25 | | |
| CS6RA- 300MS | 300 | 23.5 | 12.79 | 28.2 | 13.65 | 25 | | |
| CS6RA- 305MS | 305 | 23.7 | 12.89 | 28.4 | 13.75 | 25 | 1352 x 1134 x 30 (53.2 × 44.6 × 1.18 in) | 16.9 (37.3 lbs) |
| CS6RA- 310MS | 310 | 23.9 | 12.99 | 28.6 | 13.85 | 25 | | |
| CS6RA- 315MS | 315 | 24.1 | 13.08 | 28.8 | 13.94 | 25 | | |
| CS6RA- 320MS | 320 | 24.3 | 13.18 | 29.0 | 14.04 | 25 | | |
| CS6RA- 325MS | 325 | 24.5 | 13.28 | 29.2 | 14.14 | 25 | | |
| CS6RB- 255MS | 255 | 20.1 | 12.70 | 24.1 | 13.56 | 25 | | |
| CS6RB- 260MS | 260 | 20.3 | 12.83 | 24.3 | 13.69 | 25 | 1722 x 767 x 30 (67.8 × 30.2 × 1.18 in) 14.5 (32.0 lbs) | |
| CS6RB- 265MS | 265 | 20.5 | 12.95 | 24.5 | 13.81 | 25 | | |
| CS6RB- 270MS | 270 | 20.7 | 13.06 | 24.7 | 13.92 | 25 | | |
| CS6RB- 275MS | 275 | 20.9 | 13.16 | 24.9 | 14.02 | 25 | | |

ANNEX B: GUIDANCE ON MODULE TEMPERATURE FOR SEVERAL LOCATIONS

- The operational temperature of a PV module changes during the day and also from day to day throughout the year. The 98th-percentile temperature represents the temperature that is larger than 98% of all the temperatures, and consequently it is met or exceeded only 2% of the time.
- The 98th-percentile temperature is to be determined from measurements taken on hourly-basis, or even more frequently. For a standard year, the 98thpercentile temperature would be met or exceeded 175.2 hours.
- The operational module temperature is influenced by the environmental temperature but also by how the
- module is installed (e.g. mounting distance to rooftop, array size, array spacing and anti-nesting features), as it may allow a more efficient ventilation. The graphics below from IEC 63126 show this influence, the maps presented here are a general guidance and assumed conservative, please contact your local sales representative for further information.
- For Open-rack it can be seen how the 70°C are never exceeded in any of the locations, while for parallel to the roof mounted modules (not in-roof) this value can be surpassed for some locations.

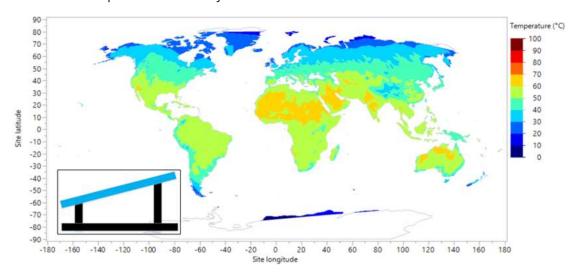


Figure B.1 - 98th-percentile temperature for an open-rack, or thermally unrestricted

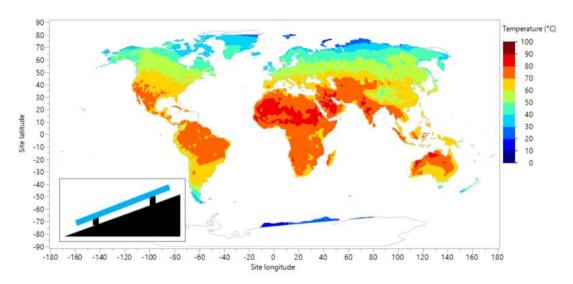


Figure B.2 - 98th-percentile temperature for a close-roof mounted

ANNEX C: INSTALLATIONS USING MODULE LEVEL POWER ELECTRONICS

- This section is applicable to all Canadian Solar standard module types referred to in this installation manual.
- Module-level power electronics (MLPE) are devices that
 can be incorporated into a solar system to improve its
 performance in certain conditions (especially where
 shade is present) and to reduce shock hazard for
 emergency responders. MLPE devices can be supplied
 as a 'retro-fit' system made by third-party supplier.
- Module certification testing does not include MLPE devices.
- When installing MLPE devices with Canadian Solar modules, follow the instructions of the MLPE supplier and the specific requirements given below. Ensure electrical parameters and limitations of the MLPE devices and the Canadian Solar modules are suitable for one another.
- Failure to comply with these instructions will void the Canadian Solar warranty.

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- When choosing to mount the MLPE device to the module frame, follow the MLPE supplier instructions to ensure optimal mounting of the MLPE device and prevent any slippage during operation.
- Canadian Solar recommends the MLPE device be installed close to a corner of the module frame.
- When choosing to mount the MLPE device to the mounting structure, please refer to the instructions provided by the MLPE supplier.
- Do not cover the module nameplate or junction boxes when installing the MLPE devices on the rear of the modules.
- Do not use frame mounting holes to install the MLPE device.
- Do not drill extra holes in the frame to install the MLPE device.
- The distance between the MLPE device and the module backsheet should be larger than 20mm.

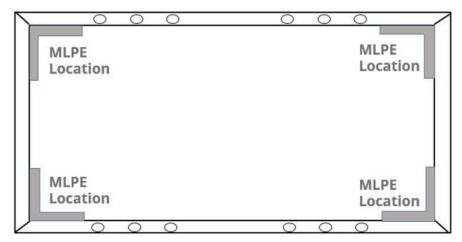


Figure C.1 - MLPE device installation zones

ANNEX D: COASTAL AREA ANTI-CORROSION INSTALLATION GUIDELINES

D.1.0: GENERAL INFORMATION

- According to the specific conditions stipulated in the Canadian Solar installation manual and general warranty statement, Canadian Solar PV modules are not allowed to be installed in coastal areas. Coastal areas are defined as places located within 100m of the defined coastline.
- This annex has been created to facilitate approval for customer PV installations located within 20 m and 100 m of the coastline. It lays down general requirements to ensure that Canadian Solar PV modules are installed properly and reliably in coastal areas, which include but are not limited to relevant anti-corrosion principles for both the modules and associated mounting systems. This annex summarizes the key technical requirements stipulated by well-known international standards and explains how they apply to photovoltaic systems.
- Please read this annex carefully and strictly follow any relevant instructions prior to installing Canadian Solar modules in coastal areas. Failure to follow these instructions and other general anti-corrosion principles may result in corrosion damage to the photovoltaic modules and/or their racking systems, and will void the Canadian Solar standard product and performance warranty. For further inquiries, please contact our customer service department or our local representatives for more information.
- The reliability of photovoltaic modules strongly depends on their distance from the coastline. Different coastal land areas are defined according to how far away from the coastline they are; Canadian Solar generally classifies seashore PV installations according to four different groups:

| Distance from the coastline (X: meters) | Requirements | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| X ≤ 20m | Installation strictly prohibited by Canadian Solar due to concerns of salt-mist corrosion. | | | |
| 20m < X ≤ 100m | Installations must comprise of Canadian Solar "special-anti-corrosion" modules. These installations must comply with the instructions listed below section D.2.1/D.2.2/D.2.3/ D3.0. | | | |
| 100m < X ≤ 500m | We recommend installing Canadian Solar "special-anti-corrosion" modules. We recommend following the instructions listed under sections D.2.1/D.2.2/D.2.3/D.3.0 | | | |
| X > 500m | Follow section 7.0 | | | |

- Local conditions strongly influence the salt deposition rate, which is particularly, but not exclusively, dependent on specific regions and local wind patterns.
 Canadian Solar reserves the right to adapt the above definition to individual cases. Please contact your local representative to confirm which category your PV system falls under.
- The word "coastline" in this manual refers to the area

- where the land meets the sea during high tide.
- In this manual, "distance to the coastline" refers to the shortest distance between the photovoltaic module array and the coastline.
- Please consult the Canadian Solar technical support department or your local representative for more information on installing "special anti-corrosion" modules.

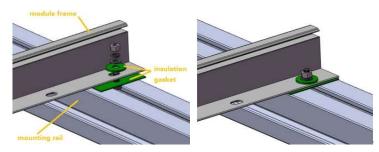
D.2.1: GENERAL ANTI-CORROSION METHODS

- Do not scratch or break the corrosion-resistant coating on the modules or mounting systems during installation.
- Do not change the structure of the module, i.e. by drilling holes into the module frame.
- Process specifications for the different components must comply with relevant international anti-corrosion standards.
- All general requirements listed in the Canadian Solar standard manual should be applied when installing "special-anti-corrosion" modules.

D.2.2: SPECIAL ANTI-CORROSION METHODS FOR MOUNTING

• Use mounting components that contain the same

- metals or metals with a similar electrochemical potential. The metal's coating also should be taken into account. There may be a big difference between the electrochemical potentials of two different coating materials.
- If mounting components consist of two metals with a big difference in electrochemical potential, please add insulating washers (e.g. bi-metallic washers or insulation gaskets) to isolate the metals from each other.
- Copper/aluminum bi-metallic washers are commonly available to prevent electrochemical corrosion. These washers are made in a process called explosion welding.
- Concerning insulation gaskets, mica laminate, or other silicone or fluoride-based insulating materials are recommended.

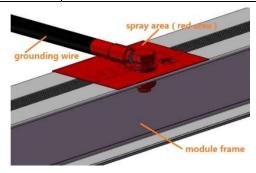


D.2.3: ANTI-CORROSION METHODS FOR GROUNDING DEVICES

• Two special anti-corrosion methods for protecting the system's grounding devices are recommended. Please refer to the instructions in the table below:

| Item | Method A | Method B | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Coating components | Fluorocarbon varnish (one layer) | Layer 1 (metal side): epoxy zinc rich primer Layer 2 (middle layer): fluorocarbon finish paint Layer 3 (air side): fluorocarbon varnish | | |
| Coating thickness | 40μm | Layer 1 (metal side): 40µm Layer 2 (middle layer): 40µm Layer 3 (air side): 40µm | | |
| Painting interval / | | Follow the supplier's general requirements when painting the three coating layers. Apply the middle layer 24 hours after painting layer 1. Paint the air side layer 6 hours later after painting the middle layer. | | |

| General requirements | cover all of the grounding system. Please refer to the The coating should be a | ponents and make sure that they are dry and clean. The coating must g components and junction areas of the module frame or mounting e figure below for more details. pplied in a dry atmosphere (at least 24 hours) under the following lity RH < 75%, ambient temperature T>5°C. |
|-------------------------|--|--|
| Maintenance period | Three months | Five years |



D.3.0: ANTI-CORROSION SUGGESTIONS FOR RACKING SYSTEMS

- The warranty does not cover the damage to the mounting system caused by corrosion if the mounting system is not provided by Canadian Solar. The requirements below apply to two main mounting systems: aluminum alloy-based and Al-Mg-Zn alloybased racking for rooftops and galvanized steel-based structures for ground-mounted solar farms. To prevent salt-mist corrosion, Canadian Solar requires strict compliance with the following principles:
- Use approved corrosion-resistant materials (e.g. stainless steel SUS 316 or carbon steel with a hot-dip galvanized coating) for any racking or BOS components used in coastal areas.
- Process specifications for the different components must comply with relevant international anti-corrosion standards.
- Minimum coating thicknesses for hot-dip galvanized and anodizing oxide components must comply with the standard minimum requirements stipulated in JIS8641 and JIS8601.

| Process | Minimum coating thickness | Standard |
|---------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| Hot-dip galvanizing | HDZ55 (76um) | ISO1461 |
| (carbon steel) | по255 (76um) | JIS8641 |
| Anodizing oxide | AA20 (20) | ISO7599 |
| (aluminum alloy) | AA20 (20um) | JIS8601 |

 Use mounting components that contain the same metals or metals with a similar electrochemical potential. The metal's coating should also be taken into account. There may be a big difference between the electrochemical potentials of two different coating materials.

D.4.0: Precautions and General Safety



Before installing any modules, contact the appropriate authorities to obtain any relevant approvals and learn of any site, installation

and inspection requirements.

- All instructions contained within this standard module installation manual should be followed.
- When applying coating materials, workers must follow applicable health and safety legislation and apply all respective preventive and proactive measures described within.

D.5.0: LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

 Canadian Solar shall not be held responsible for damages of any kind, including, but not limited to, bodily harm, injury and damage to property as a result of handling modules, installing systems, or compliance or non-compliance with the instructions set forth in this manual.

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