



**PowerCord PLUS™ Cordset**



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**This manual covers all Marinco® 30A + 50A Cordsets**

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**WARNING** To minimize shock hazard, follow these instructions:

### POWER CONNECTION

- Turn off the boat's shore connection switch before connecting the PowerCord cordset.
- Connect the cordset to the boat inlet first, then to the shore outlet. ***If polarity warning indicator in the boat is activated, immediately disconnect cordset and have the fault corrected by qualified electrician.***

### POWER DISCONNECTION

- Turn off the boat's shore connection switch before disconnecting the PowerCord cordset.
- Disconnect the cordset at shore outlet first, then disconnect the boat inlet. Close boat inlet cover tightly to prevent water intrusion.

## NEVER ALTER POWERCORD CORDSET CONNECTORS

**CONNECTION RINGS** Maringo® cordsets are compatible with all other brands of inlets and adapters. All Maringo® PowerCord cordsets come with a threaded sealing ring for use with threaded inlets. Maringo's exclusive Easy Lock™ connection ring is also available. The lock locators on the Easy Lock connection ring (180° opposite of each other) mate with the built-in grooves on all Maringo® Easy Lock inlets. Simply turn and lock. If your inlet was manufactured and installed prior to 4-1-92, it is of the thread-locking design. A threaded ring is included for use with threaded inlets.

**CHANGING CONNECTION RINGS** To change the connection ring on the cordset, apply a soap solution around the ring and the boot to lubricate the parts. Using a twisting motion, force the ring past the shoulder of the boot. You may need the use of a large screwdriver to pry the ring off. Use caution with any tools to avoid damage to the shoulder. Follow the same procedure to install the ring.

**GROUND BLADE ORIENTATION** All Maringo® cordsets feature a ground blade orientation feature that makes hook-up easier.

**POWERCORD PLUS THUMBPRINT LOCATOR** Grasp the cordset with your thumb above the LED light. With your thumb in the 12 o'clock position, the ground blade is located in the 6 o'clock position for easy electrical connection.

**POWERCORD PLUS POWER INDICATOR LIGHT** Power Indicator LED Light located in the connector end glows red to show when the power is on. For safety, always use the PowerCord Plus cordset as if the power is still on, even if the LED light is not on.

**STORAGE** Your Maringo® PowerCord cordset is intended for use outdoors. To prolong the life of the cordset, store indoors when not in use.

**MAINTENANCE WARNING** – To prevent electrocution, always disconnect cordset from power source before performing any maintenance.

- Before each use, examine the ends of the cordset, the face of the inlet on the boat, and the receptacle on the dock. Look for signs of discoloration which indicates overheating.
- If a connection shows signs of overheating, replace it immediately. Do not wait for the problem to get worse.
- If a cordset end is overheating, it might be the boat's inlet, or the dock's receptacle that is causing the problem. Both mating parts should be replaced.
- **Carefully follow the wiring instructions supplied with all replacement devices to insure proper operation.**

**CARE** The metallic parts of your Maringo® cable set are made to resist corrosion. In a salt-water environment, life of the product can be increased by periodically cleaning the exposed parts with fresh water, drying, and apply Gardner Bender® Ox-Gard™.

### Salt Water Immersion:

Disconnect from power source. Rinse plug end or connector end thoroughly in fresh water, shake, or blow out excess water and allow to dry. Spray with Gardner Bender® Ox-Gard™.

**Maringo® recommends this PowerCord Owner's Guide be made a part of your Boat Service Manual.**

### TROUBLE SHOOTING GUIDE

Maringo® plugs, connectors, receptacles, and inlets are engineered to provide years of trouble free service. However, the marine environment can cause problems with even the best designed devices. If problems can be detected while they are small, it can save the boat owner time and expense later on. The most common problems with electrical connections are salt water immersion and overheating. Fortunately, overheating can be easily detected and quickly remedied. The following are precautions and solutions to extend the life of your Maringo® equipment.

**What to look for...** Examine the ends of the shore power cords. Look for discoloration or melting around the blades of the plug (male end) and around the slots on the connector (female end). Examine the face of the inlet on the boat and look for discoloration or melting around the blades and the inlet. Examine the receptacle on the dock and look for discoloration or deterioration around the slots.

**What causes overheating...** If a device shows signs of overheating, it is generally caused by one or two conditions: corrosion on the metal blades or contacts, or bad connections between the wiring device and the wires connected to it. Severely corroded blades or contacts are a result of exposure to a corrosive environment, most commonly salt water. If the ends of the cordset are dropped into salt water and not properly cleaned and dried, the contacts will eventually corrode. Corroded contacts do not make a good electrical connection and overheating results. Bad connections between a wiring device and the electrical wire can be a result of loose terminations, corrosion on the wires or terminals, or the wires not being stripped properly so the wire insulation is under the terminals. A bad connection will result in overheating of the terminal, and this will be visible on the face of the wiring device.

**What to do...** If a wiring device shows signs of overheating, it should be replaced immediately. Do not wait for the problem to get worse. When replacing wiring devices, examine the electrical wire and make sure the wire strands are clean, and are not corroded. Even a new device can not make a good connection to corroded wire. Many boat owners think overheating is a result of over loading the circuit, but this is rarely the case. A bad connection in an inlet will also cause the mating connector to overheat. All too frequently a boat owner will merely continue to replace his connector, not realizing that the inlet is causing the problem. Both devices should be replaced in order to prevent the problem from happening again. The same is true for the plug and the receptacle on the dock.