

Owner's Guide

Thank you for purchasing the LinkPRO [high precision battery monitor](#).

Important Safety Information

Misusing or incorrectly connecting the LinkPRO may damage the equipment or create hazardous conditions for users. Read and keep this Owner's Guide and the enclosed Installation Guide.

⚠WARNING
LIMITATIONS ON USE
Do not operate this equipment unless it has been installed by a qualified installer in accordance with the Installation Guide.
Do not use LinkPRO in connection with life support systems, medical equipment, or where human life or medical property may be at stake.
Failure to follow these instructions can result in death or serious injury.

FCC Information

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003 and Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and
- (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

NOTE: The Class B limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

LinkPRO Display and Control Overview



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| 1. Charge battery indicator | 7. Alarm activated indicator |
| 2. Numeric value indicator field | 8. Readout units |
| 3. Setup lock / Master lock indicator | 9. Synchronize indicator |
| 4. Main battery or Auxiliary battery indicator | 10. Next value or Right key (>) |
| 5. State-of-charge bar | 11. Menu key |
| 6. Charging in progress indicator | 12. Previous value or Left key (<) |

Synchronization

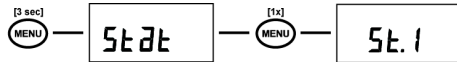
In order to keep your LinkPRO battery monitor delivering accurate status information about your battery, it is important to regularly synchronize your battery monitor with your battery. As explained in the quick start guide, a synchronisation step is also needed before you can actually use your battery monitor. During operation, the battery monitor automatically indicates when a synchronisation is required, by displaying the message SYNCHRONIZE. A synchronisation step means nothing more than performing a complete charge cycle on your battery. A charge cycle will be considered complete when both Auto-sync parameters F1.0, F1.1 and F1.2 (see Function setup menu) are met. This typically means: when the battery charger switches to float mode. By meeting these conditions, the battery is considered full, which will be indicated by a flashing FULL message on the display. Besides this, the State-of-charge readout will be set to 100% and the Amp-hour readout reset to 0Ah. The FULL message will disappear when a key is pressed, or automatically, when the battery starts discharging again.

Performing synchronizations regularly is also important to keep your battery healthy and to increase its lifetime. You will notice that if you are often performing full charge cycles yourselves, the battery monitor will most likely not display the SYNCHRONIZE message, since the battery is already kept in good sync with the battery monitor.

Besides automatic synchronizations based on meeting the Auto-Sync Functions, you can also manually synchronize the battery monitor with your battery when you are sure your battery is fully charged. This can be accomplished by pressing both < and > keys simultaneously for three seconds. After these three seconds, the flashing FULL message appears on the display just like when it is automatically synchronized.

Status menu

The Status menu is a read only menu that shows the battery monitor's current status of several items. This menu can be accessed by the following sequence:

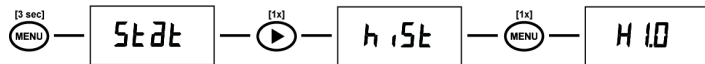


When the Status menu is entered, you can use the < and > keys to browse through the different status items. By pressing the MENU key, the selected status item can be viewed. Pressing the MENU key again, will then step back to the Status menu. From any menu position, the Normal Operating Mode can be accessed again by pressing the MENU key for 3 seconds. The following Status menu items are available:

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| St.1 | Alarm Status. When multiple alarms are activated, use the < or > keys to browse through the currently active alarms. When no alarms are activated, this item displays “----”. |
| St.2 | Days running. The number of days the battery monitor is operating to monitor your battery. This item resets when a battery reset is executed (see Reset menu). |
| St.3 | Days since last synchronized. The number of days the battery monitor has not been synchronized. This item resets when the battery monitor is synchronized or when a battery reset is executed (see Reset menu). |
| St.4 | Charge Efficiency Factor (CEF). The charge efficiency factor used by the battery monitor. Depending on the value set in Function F5.6, this item displays the automatically calculated CEF or the manually set CEF |

History menu

The History menu is a read only menu that shows the battery monitor's History data. History data are special events that are stored in internal memory. This menu can be accessed by the following sequence:

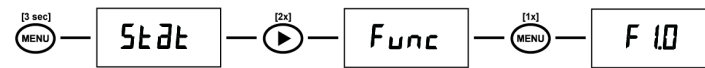


When the History menu is entered, you can use the < and > keys to browse through the different History items. By pressing the MENU key, the selected History item can be viewed. Pressing the MENU key again, will then step back to the History menu. From any menu position, the Normal Operating Mode can be accessed again by pressing the MENU key for 3 seconds. The following History menu items are available:

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| H1: Battery History | |
| H1.0 | Average discharge in Ah. This number will be recalculated after each synchronization. |
| H1.1 | Average discharge in %. This number will be recalculated after each synchronization. |
| H1.2 | Deepest discharge in Ah. |
| H1.3 | Deepest discharge in %. |
| H1.4 | Total Amp-hours removed. The total number of Amp-hours removed from the battery. When exceeding 10000Ah, the units are kAh and the value displayed must be multiplied by 1000. |
| H1.5 | Total Amp-hours charged. The total number of Amp-hours charged to the battery. These Amphours are not compensated by the Charge Efficiency Factor (CEF). When exceeding 10000Ah, the units are kAh and the value displayed must be multiplied by 1000. |
| H1.6 | Number of cycles. |
| H1.7 | Number of synchronization. This is the number of times the battery is fully charged meeting the Auto-sync Functions. |
| H1.8 | Number of full discharges. The number of times the battery has been fully discharged reaching a State-of-charge of 0.0%. |
| H2: Alarm History | |
| H2.0 | Number of Low Battery alarms. |
| H2.1 | Number of Main battery low voltage alarms. |
| H2.2 | Number of Auxiliary battery low voltage alarms. |
| H2.3 | Number of Main battery high voltage alarms. |
| H2.4 | Number of Auxiliary battery high voltage alarms. |

Function setup menu

In the Function setup menu, your battery monitor can be adjusted to fit into your system. Lots of parameters, called Functions, can be set according to your needs. This menu can be accessed by the following sequence:



When the Function setup menu is entered, you can use the < and > keys to browse through the different Functions. By pressing the MENU key, the selected Function value can be viewed. The < and > keys can now be used to change this value. Pressing the MENU key again, will then step back to the Function menu. From any menu position, the Normal Operating Mode can be accessed again by pressing the MENU key for 3 seconds. This will also save any Function value changes to internal memory. When no keys are pressed for 90 seconds while operating in the Function setup menu, the battery monitor will automatically return to the Normal Operating Mode again without saving any Function value changes. The following Functions are available:

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| F1: System Properties | |
| F1.0 | Charger's float voltage (Auto-sync parameter). This value must be equal to your battery charger's float voltage, which is the last stage of the charging process. In this stage the battery is considered full.
Default: 13.2V Range: 8.0 – 33.0V Step size: 0.1V |
| F1.1 | Charger's float current (Auto-sync parameter). When the charge current is below this percentage of the battery capacity (see Function F5.0), the battery will be considered as fully charged. Make sure this Function value is always greater than the minimum current at which the charger maintains the battery or stops charging.
Default: 2.0% Range: 0.5 – 10.0% Step size: 0.1% |
| F1.2 | Auto-sync time (Auto-sync parameter). This is the time the Auto-sync parameters F1.0 and F1.1 must be met in order to consider the battery as fully charged.
Default: 240sec Range: 5 – 300sec Step size: variable |
| F1.3 | Discharge floor. This is the reference point at which the battery needs to be recharged. When the State-of-charge percentage falls below this value the Charge battery indicator starts flashing while the time remaining readout shows 0:00 and the State-of-charge bar is empty.
Default: 50% Range: 0 – 99% Step size: 1% |
| F1.4 | Battery temperature. In this Function the average battery temperature can be adjusted. The value AU enables the automatic temperature measurement, provided that an external temperature sensor is connected to the battery monitor. Also the temperature readout in the Normal Operating Mode is enabled.
Default: +20°C Range: -20 – +50°C / AU Step size: 1°C |
| F1.5 | Time remaining averaging filter. Specifies the time window of the moving averaging filter. There are three settings, where setting 0 gives the fastest Time remaining readout response and setting 2 the slowest. The best setting will depend on the type of battery load and your personal preference.
Default: 1 Range: 0 – 2 Step size: 1 |
| F2: Low Battery Alarm Settings | |
| F2.0 | Low battery alarm On (% SOC). When the State-of-charge percentage has fallen below this value, the alarm relay will be activated (depending on F2.6).
Default: 50% Range: 0 – 99% Step size: 1% |
| F2.1 | Low battery alarm On (Volts). When the battery voltage has fallen below this value, the alarm relay will be activated (depending on F2.6).
Default: 10.5V Range: 8.0 – 33.0V Step size: 0.1V |
| F2.2 | Low battery alarm Off (% SOC). When the State-of-charge percentage has risen above this value and the alarm relay was activated, the alarm relay will deactivate again. When “FULL” is selected, the alarm relay is deactivated when the Auto-sync parameters are met.
Default: 80% Range: 1 – 100%/FULL Step size: 1% |
| F2.3 | Low battery alarm On delay time. This is the time the Low battery alarm On conditions, F2.0 and F2.1, must be met before the alarm is activated.
Default: 10sec Range: 0 – 300sec Step size: variable |
| F2.4 | Minimum 'Alarm On' time. Minimum time that the alarm relay stays activated even if the State-of-charge percentage has risen above the Low battery alarm Off setpoint (F2.2). Function units are hours:minutes.
Default: 0:00 Range: 0:00 – 12:00 Step size: variable |
| F2.5 | Maximum 'Alarm On' time. Maximum time that the alarm stays activated even if the State-of-charge percentage is still below the Low battery alarm Off setpoint (F2.2). The value “-:-” indicates an unlimited time, and the relay will stay activated until the State-of-charge percentage has risen above the Low battery alarm Off setpoint (F2.2). Function units are hours:minutes
Default: -:- Range: 0:00 - 12:00 / -:- Step size: variable |

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| F2.6 | Enable Low battery alarm / Use contact. Select “OFF” to disable the low battery alarm. Select “[1]” to use the battery monitor's internal alarm relay. Select “[1]” to “[8]” to use an external alarm contact (only for use with optional Alarm output expander).
Default: [1] Range: OFF / [1] / [1] – [8] |
| F3: Low Voltage Alarm Settings | |
| F3.0 | Main battery low voltage alarm On. When the Main battery voltage falls below this value, the message “Lo” will appear on the display and the selected alarm relay will be activated (depending on F3.2).
Default: 10.5V Range: 8.0 – 33.0V Step size: 0.1V |
| F3.1 | Main battery low voltage alarm Delay. This is the time the Main battery low voltage alarm On condition, F3.0, must be met before the alarm is activated.
Default: 10sec Range: 0 – 300sec Step size: variable |
| F3.2 | Enable Main battery low voltage alarm / Use contact. Select “OFF” to disable the Main battery low voltage alarm. Select “[1]” to use the battery monitor's internal alarm relay. Select “[1]” to “[8]” to use an external alarm contact (only for use with optional Alarm output expander).
Default: OFF Range: OFF / [1] / [1] – [8] |
| F3.3 | Auxiliary battery low voltage alarm On. When the Auxiliary battery voltage falls below this value, the message “Lo” will appear on the display and the selected alarm relay will be activated (depending on F3.5).
Default: 10.5V Range: 8.0 – 33.0V Step size: 0.1V |
| F3.4 | Auxiliary battery low voltage alarm Delay. This is the time the Auxiliary battery low voltage alarm On condition, F3.3, must be met before the alarm is activated.
Default: 10sec Range: 0 – 300sec Step size: variable |
| F3.5 | Enable Auxiliary battery low voltage alarm / Use contact. Select “OFF” to disable the Auxiliary battery low voltage alarm. Select “[1]” to use the battery monitor's internal alarm relay. Select “[1]” to “[8]” to use an external alarm contact (only for use with optional Alarm output expander).
Default: OFF Range: OFF / [1] / [1] – [8] |
| F4: High Voltage Alarm Settings | |
| F4.0 | Main battery high voltage alarm On. When the Main battery voltage rises above this value, the message “Hi” will appear on the display and the selected alarm relay will be activated (depending on F4.2).
Default: 16.0V Range: 10.0 – 35.0V Step size: 0.1V |
| F4.1 | Main battery high voltage alarm Delay. This is the time the Main battery high voltage alarm On condition, F4.0, must be met before the alarm is activated.
Default: 5sec Range: 0 – 300sec Step size: variable |
| F4.2 | Enable Main battery high voltage alarm / Use contact. Select “OFF” to disable the Main battery high voltage alarm. Select “[1]” to use the battery monitor's internal alarm relay. Select “[1]” to “[8]” to use an external alarm contact (only for use with optional Alarm output expander).
Default: OFF Range: OFF / [1] / [1] – [8] |
| F4.3 | Auxiliary battery high voltage alarm On. When the Auxiliary battery voltage rises above this value, the message “Hi” will appear on the display and the selected alarm relay will be activated (depending on F4.5).
Default: 16.0V Range: 10.0 – 35.0V Step size: 0.1V |
| F4.4 | Auxiliary battery high voltage alarm Delay. This is the time the Auxiliary battery high voltage alarm On condition, F4.3, must be met before the alarm is activated.
Default: 5sec Range: 0 – 300sec Step size: variable |
| F4.5 | Enable Auxiliary battery high voltage alarm / Use contact. Select “OFF” to disable the Auxiliary battery high voltage alarm. Select “[1]” to use the battery monitor's internal alarm relay. Select “[1]” to “[8]” to use an external alarm contact (only for use with optional Alarm output expander).
Default: OFF Range: OFF / [1] / [1] – [8] |
| F5: “Main” Battery Properties | |
| F5.0 | Battery capacity. Your Main battery's capacity in Amphours (Ah).
Default: 200Ah Range: 20 – 9990Ah Step size: variable |
| F5.1 | Nominal discharge rate (C-rating). The discharge rate (in hours) at which the battery manufacturer rates your battery's capacity.
Default: 20h Range: 1 – 20h Step size: 1h |
| F5.2 | Nominal temperature. The temperature at which the battery manufacturer rates your battery's capacity.
Default: 20°C Range: 0 – 40°C Step size: 1°C |
| F5.3 | Temperature coefficient. This is the percentage that your battery's capacity changes with temperature. The unit of this value is percent capacity per degree Celsius. The setting “OFF” disables temperature compensation.
Default: 0.50%cap/°C Range: OFF / 0.01 – 1.00 Step size: 0.01%cap/°C |

F5.4 Peukert's exponent. The Peukert's exponent represents the effect of reducing battery capacity at higher discharge rates. When the Peukert value of your battery is unknown, it is recommended to keep this value at 1.25. A value of 1.00 disables the Peukert compensation and could be used for Lithium-based batteries.

Default: 1.25 Range: 1.00 – 1.50 Step size: 0.01

F5.5 Self-discharge rate. This is the rate at which the battery loses capacity by itself, even when it is not used. The unit of this value is percent capacity per month at the Nominal temperature (F5.2). The setting “OFF” disables self-discharge compensation.

Default: 3.0%/month Range: OFF / 0.1 – 25.0%/month Step size: 0.1%/month

F5.6 Charge Efficiency Factor (CEF). CEF is the ratio between the energy removed from a battery during discharge and the energy used during charging to restore the original capacity. It is recommended to keep this value at “AU” (automatic calculation). The setting “100” disables charge efficiency compensation.

Default: AU Range: 50 – 100% / AU Step size: 1%

F6: Battery Monitor Properties

F6.0 Firmware version. Displays the firmware version of the battery monitor (read only).

Default: x.xx

F6.1 Shunt Amp Rating. This Function is linked to F6.2 and represents the Amp rating of your shunt at the given voltage indicated by F6.2. Included with your battery monitor is a 500Amp/50mV shunt, meaning that at 500A flowing through the shunt, a voltage of 50mV is generated across the small ‘Kelvin’ screw terminals of the shunt. This voltage will be used by the battery monitor to measure the amount of current.

Default: 500A Range: 10 – 9000A Step size: variable

F6.2 Shunt milliVolt Rating. This Function represents the milliVolt rating of your shunt at the given current indicated by F6.1. The battery monitor supports 50mV and 60mV shunts.

Default: 50mV Range: 50/60mV

F6.3 Backlight mode. Represents the duration of backlight activation in seconds after key-press. The backlight can also be set to be always “ON” or always “OFF”. Function setting “AU”, activates the backlight automatically when charge / discharge current exceeds 1Amp or when a key is pressed.

Default: 30sec Range: OFF / 5 – 300 / ON / AU Step size: variable

F6.4 Alarm contact polarity. Enables selection between a normally open (NO) or normally closed (NC) contact.

Default: NO Range: NO/NC

F6.5 Voltage prescaler. This Function is only important when an optional voltage prescaler is installed on the battery monitor. All voltage related Functions are linked to this Function F6.5. Always keep this Function set to “1-1” when no prescaler is installed!

Default: 1–1 Range: 1-1 / 1-5 / 1-10

F6.6 Temperature unit selection. Enables selection between degrees Celsius (°C) and degrees Fahrenheit (°F) in the temperature readout.

Default: °C Range: °C/°F

F6.7 Auxiliary input mode. This Function is used to configure the VA input terminal on the rear side of the battery monitor, and can be set in two modes. In mode “0”, the VA input operates in normal voltage measurement mode. In mode “1”, the VA input can be used to control the backlight. In this mode, the backlight is switched ON at an input voltage higher than 2V and switched OFF again if the voltage is below 1V.

Default: 0 Range: 0/1

F6.8 Communication mode. This Function is used to configure the data output mode. There are four data output modes:
Mode “0”: LinkPRO (broadcasting)
Mode “1”: LinkPRO (request mode)
Mode “2”: XBM compatibility mode (broadcasting)
Mode “3”: XBM compatibility mode (request only)

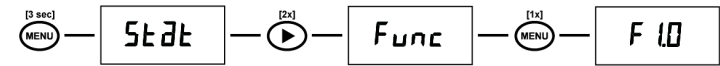
Default: 0 Range: 0/1/2/3

F6.9 Setup lock. When set to “ON”, all functions (except this one) are locked and cannot be altered. The Reset menu is also locked.

Default: OFF Range: OFF/ON

Reset menu

In the Reset menu, you can reset a number of items of your battery monitor This menu can be accessed by the following sequence:



When the Reset menu is entered, you can use the < and > keys to browse through the different reset items. By pressing the MENU key, the selected reset item can be viewed. The default value for all reset items is “OFF”. To actually reset the selected item, use the < and > keys to change the value from “OFF” to “ON”. Pressing the MENU key again, will step back to the Reset menu. All reset items set to “ON” will only be reset once the Normal Operating Mode is accessed again by pressing the MENU key for 3 seconds. The following Reset menu items are available:

rSt.a Reset alarms. Use this reset item to reset or ignore all current alarms.

rSt.b Reset Battery status. Use this reset item to reset your current battery status (CEF, State-of-charge and battery history). You can use this reset item after you have installed a fresh battery of the same specifications as the previous one.

rSt.F Reset Functions. This reset item can be used to reset all Function values to factory default values.

Troubleshooting guideline

Problem	Remedy or suggestion
The monitor doesn't operate (no display)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check monitor and battery side connections. • Make sure the inline fuses are installed and not blown. • Check battery voltage. Battery might be flat. Vbatt must be >8VDC. • Try to restart the monitor by removing / placing the fuses again.
Current readout gives wrong polarity (positive current instead of negative when discharging)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current sense leads from the shunt are reversed. Check the installation guide.
The monitor resets all the time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the wiring for corrosion and / or loose contacts. • Battery might be flat or defective.
No changes can be made in the Function setup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check if the setup-lock is OFF (Function F6.9) • Your LinkPRO might be locked by the superlock. Ask the installer for the password to unlock the monitor using the LinkPRO Communication Kit.
“CHARGE” or “SYNCHRONIZE” keeps on flashing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charge battery full (synchronize your battery with the monitor) • Check the Auto-sync parameters in Functions F1.0, F1.1 and F1.2 for possible wrong settings.
State-of-charge and/or time-to-go readout not accurate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check if all current is flowing through the shunt (the negative terminal of the battery may only contain the wire going to the battery-side of the shunt!). • Current sense leads from the shunt are reversed. • Check all Battery properties Functions (F5) • Check if battery monitor is synchronized.
Display returns '- - -' in temperature readout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connection with temperature sensor is lost. Check for failed connections and/or cable damage.
Battery voltage readout is highly inaccurate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check prescaler setting in Function F6.5

Specifications

Parameter	LinkPRO
Supply voltage range	9 – 35VDC
Supply current ¹ @Vin=24VDC	7mA
@Vin=12VDC	9mA
Input voltage range (auxiliary battery)	2 – 35VDC
Input voltage range (main battery)	0 – 35VDC
Input current range ²	-9999 – +9999A
Battery capacity range	20 – 9990Ah
Operating temperature range	-20 – +50°C
Readout resolution:	voltage (0 – 35V) ±0.1V
current (0 – 199A)	±0.1A
current (200 – 999A)	±1A
amphours (0 – 199Ah)	±0.1Ah
amphours (200 – 999Ah)	±1Ah
state-of-charge (0 – 100%)	±0.1%
time-to-go (0 – 100hrs)	±1 minute
time-to-go (100 – 240hrs)	±1 hr
temperature (-20 – 50°C) ³	±0.5°C
Voltage measurement accuracy	±0.3%
Current measurement accuracy	±0.4%
Dimensions:	frontpanel ø 64mm (2.54")
body diameter	ø 52mm (2.05")
total depth	ø 79mm (3.11")
weight	95grams (0.21 lbs")
Shunt dimensions:	footprint 45 x 87mm (1.77"x3.43")
(M8 screws) height	17mm (0.67") (base) / 35mm (1.38")
weight	145grams (0.32lbs)
Protection class	IP20 (frontpanel only IP 65)
LinkPRO Accessory Connection kit	854-2021-01 (15m, 50ft)
LinkPRO Accessory Communication kit	854-2019-01
LinkPRO Accessory Temperature sensor kit	854-2022-01 (10m, 32ft)

1. Measured with backlight and alarm relay turned off

2. Depends on selected shunt. With standard delivered 500A/50mV shunt (350A continuous), the range is limited to -600 – +600A.

3. Only available when optional temperature sensor is connected.