

# 24V Solar Charger Instructions



PART #: F-043SCH (Patriot Solar Charger Kit)

**MANDATORY** – LEAVE THIS MANUAL WITH LIFT OWNER



Read & follow all instructions Lift safety can only be ensured if the lift is installed and operated according to these instructions



NEVER permit children to play on or around the lift Do not allow children to use the lift without adult supervision



**NEVER** apply direct water pressure to the electronics





NEVER use the lift with a dry pool





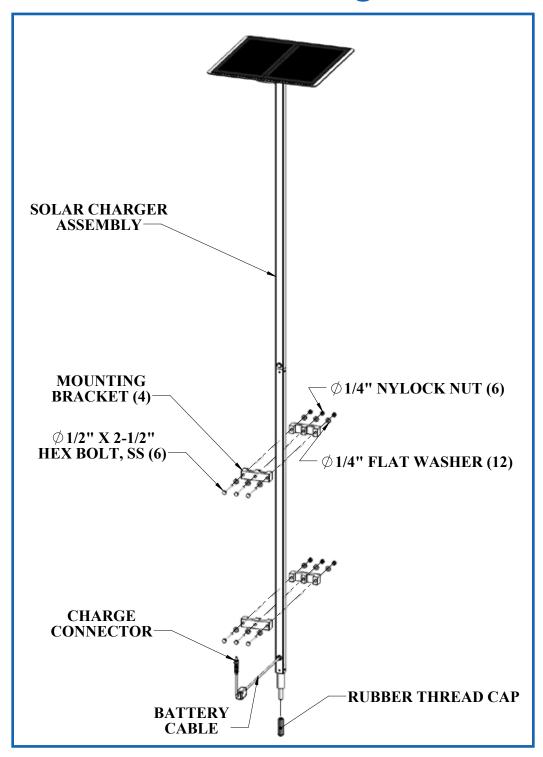
For safety reasons, NEVER swim alone

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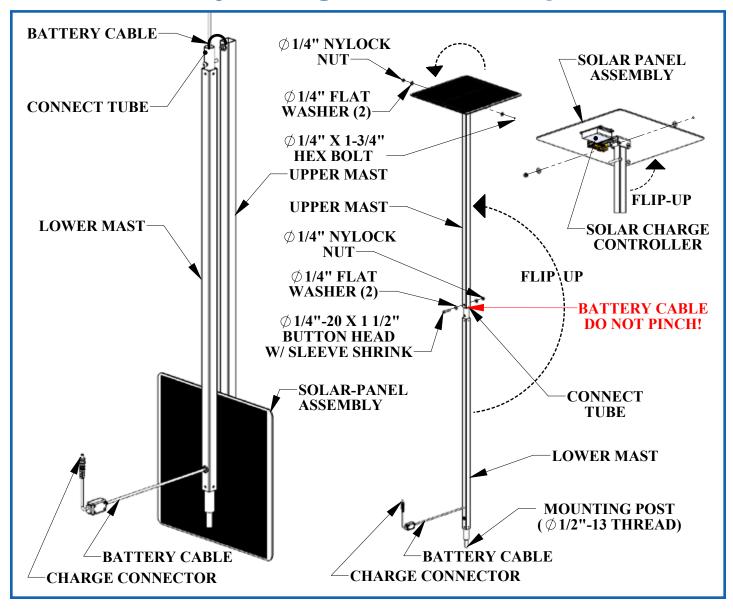
SAVE a copy of these instructions

# **Patriot Solar Charger Kit**



The Patriot Solar Charger Kit comes complete with a 24V solar charger assembly, the brackets and hardware required for mounting the solar charger to the Patriot pool lift as shown on page 4. The solar charger comes partially assembled. Before mounting the solar charger to the Patriot lift, you will need to assemble the solar charger as shown on the next page.

# **Unpacking And Assembly**

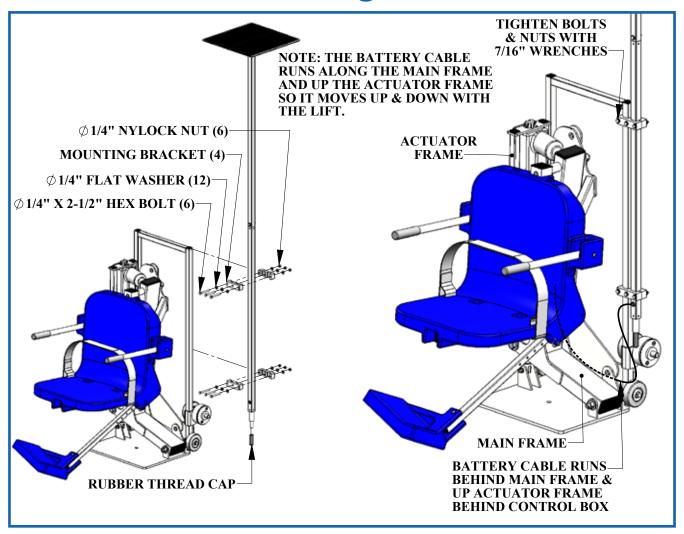


To assemble the Solar Charger you will need two (2) 7/16" wrenches or sockets.

The 24V Solar-Charger comes fully wired, in two halves for shipping. To assemble the charger remove it from the shipping box and connect the UPPER MAST to the LOWER MAST by flipping the UPPER MAST up and sliding the CONNECT TUBE inside the UPPER MAST and aligning the holes as shown above. Pull the BATTERY CABLE and the CHARGE CONNECTOR through the tube as you slide the TOP ASSEMBLY down. DO NOT PINCH THE BATTERY CABLE! Install the supplied 1/4" x 1 1/2" hex bolt, the flat washers and Nylock-nut as shown. Tighten until snug.

Next, flip-up the SOLAR PANEL ASSEMBLY until it is flat-horizontal, and install the 1/4" x 1 3/4" hex bolt and flat washer underneath as shown. Install the 2nd flat washer and the Nylock nut on the opposite side, and tighten until snug. The Solar Charger is now ready to install on your pool lift.

# **Patriot Solar Charger Installation**



#### To install the Solar Charger on a Patriot lift;

STEP 1: Put the lift in operation mode on the pool deck.

STEP 2: Find the RUBBER THREAD CAP and install over the mounting stud.

STEP 3: Using the MOUNTING BRACKETS (4) and supplied hardware, attach the Solar Charger to the handle as shown above. Tighten hardware with 7/16" wrenches or sockets until snug. The Solar Charger should be solid and stable when the brackets are fully installed.

STEP 4: Run the BATTERY CABLE behind the main frame and up the ACTUATOR FRAME. The CONNECTOR is on the CONTROL BOX (see INSTALLING THE CHARGE CONNECTOR).

Check to make sure the far right plug in does not have a plastic disk at the top of the hole. If it has a plastic disk, follow the instructions on how to remove it. If the hole is clear, skip to "Installing The Charge Connector".



TO OPEN THE CONTROL BOX USE A TORX T20 DRIVER



"TORX" T20 DRIVER FOR OPENING CONTROL-BOX





REMOVE THE FOUR (4) SCREWS FROM THE TOP OF THE CONTROL BOX: LEAVE SCREWS IN HOLES



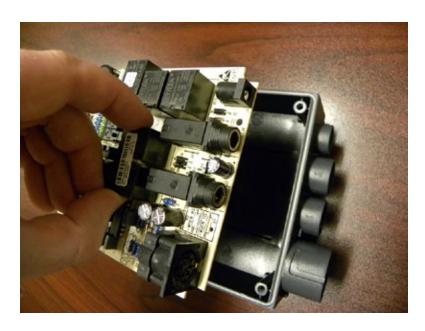


REMOVE THE COVER AND PLACE ON TABLE RIGHT-SIDE UP: NOTE POSITION OF EMERGENCY-SWITCH CAP





USE A "TORX" T10 DRIVER TO REMOVE THE THREE (3) SCREWS FROM THE CONTROL BOARD



REMOVE THE CONTROL BOARD FROM THE CONTROL BOX



USE SCREWDRIVER, AND MALLET IF NECESSARY, TO PUNCH-OUT AND REMOVE PLASTIC-DISC ON 24V INPUT/OUTPUT PORT





PLACE THE CONTROL BOARD BACK IN PLACE INSIDE THE CONTROL BOX



RETURN THE THREE (3) SCREWS TO SECURE THE CONTROL BOARD BACK IN PLACE



REPLACE THE EMERGENCY-SWITCH CAP WITH "ARROW" POINTING DOWN AS SHOWN



**PUT COVER ON AND REINSTALL SCREWS** 



TEST EMERGENCY-SWITCH WITH DRIVER, LISTEN FOR "CLICK"

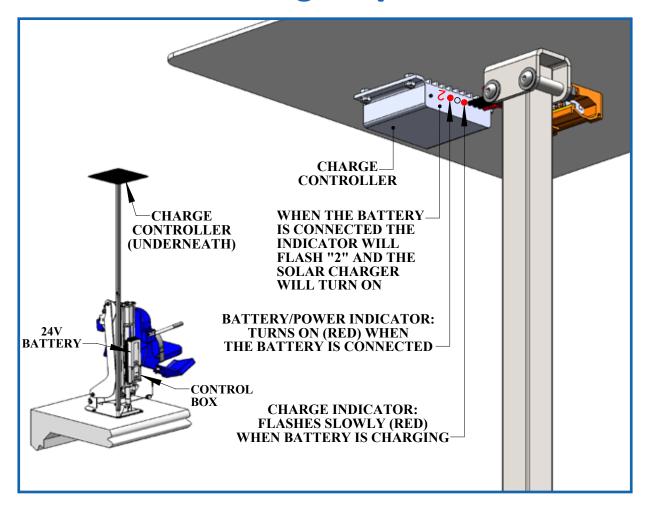
# **Installing The Charge Connector**



STEP 5: Run the BATTERY CABLE behind the control box as shown, and plug the BATTERY CONNECTOR into the control box.

NOTE: The BATTERY CABLE must be run along the main frame as shown so it follows the lift as it goes down into the water. Run the lift up and down to make sure the cable has been installed properly.

# **Solar Charger Operation**



Once the BATTERY CONNECTOR has been installed, and a battery is installed onto the lift the 24V Solar Charger will turn on and start trickle-charging the battery. Without the battery installed the 24V Solar Charger will be off, and will remain off until a battery is installed.

When a 24V battery is installed onto the lift the LED INDICATOR will flash "2" to show that a 24V battery has been detected and the charger is operational.

The Solar-Panel power indicator will light up (red) when the Solar Charger has been properly attached to the battery. The charger will work even on cloudy days, but not as efficiently.

When the battery is installed and there is sufficient sunlight, the CHARGE INDICATOR will flash (red) slowly, indicating the battery is being charged. When the controller detects the battery is fully charged the flashing will stop. Under most conditions the CHARGE INDICATOR light will be flashing whenever a battery has been installed.

The 24V Solar Charger will continue to charge the battery, even as the lift is being used. So once the 24V Solar Charger has been installed it will function without any need for adjustment. The user should check the indicators periodically to make sure it is working.

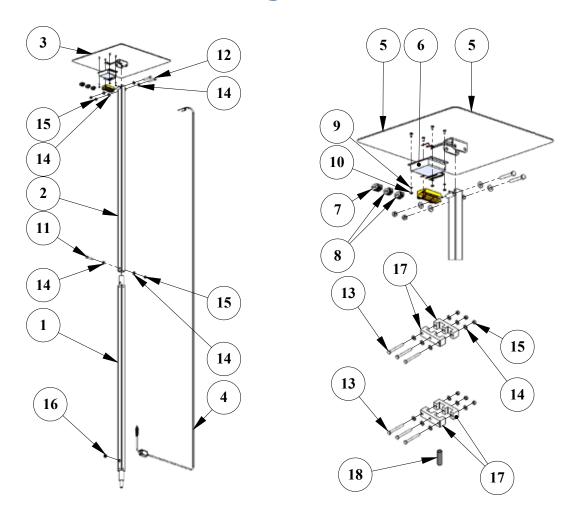
## **Battery Maintenance**

- 1. Do NOT expose the battery to freezing temperatures.
- 2. Do NOT expose the battery to prolonged periods of extreme heat or severe cold temperatures.
- 4. Do NOT expose the battery to long periods of direct sunlight. Heat will shorten your battery life. Optimum operating temperature is below 20 degrees Celsius (68 degrees F.) Aqua Creek recommends a battery cover be used with solar chargers since the battery is left on the lift at all times.
- 5. Never drop or bump the battery pack. This may result in loose or damaged internal connections, and may damage the battery terminals.
- 6. Keep battery terminals clean and free from dirt and corrosion to ensure good contact. The terminals may be cleaned using alcohol and a cotton swab. Clean off any corrosion or discoloration of the battery contacts with a Scotch-Brite<sup>™</sup> pad and then apply dielectric grease (supplied with lift) as shown in the figure below.



Clean with alcohol and a cotton swab and apply dielectric grease to terminals

# **Solar Charger Parts List**



ITEM#	QTY	PART #	DESCRIPTION
1	1	PSC-100-00	SOLAR CHARGER LOWER MAST ASSEMBLY
2	1	PSC-200-00	SOLAR CHARGER UPPER MAST ASSEMBLY
3	1	PSC-300-00	SOLAR CHARGER TOP PLATE ASSEMBLY
4	1	VSCC2	CABLE, SOLAR CHARGER CABLE, VITO
5	2	P-WSME-0040	SOLAR PANEL, 4 WATT MOBILE
6	1	P-LCSC-A1	CONTROLLER, 12/24V SOLAR, 10A
7	2	222-412	CONNECTOR, WAGO, 2 LEVER
8	1	222-413	CONNECTOR, WAGO, 3 LEVER
9	4	FLAT WASHER, #4 SS 316	WASHER, FLAT, #4, 316 SS
10	4	NYLOCK, #4-40 316 SS	NUT, 316 SS, NYLOCK, #4-40
11	1	BOLT, 1/4-20 X 1 1/2 HCS	BOLT, 316 SS, 1/4-20 X 1 1/2 HCS
12	2	BOLT, 1/4-20 X 1 3/4 HCS	BOLT, 316 SS, 1/4-20 X 1 3/4 HCS
13	3	BOLT, 1/4-20 X 2 1/2 HCS	BOLT, 316 SS, 1/4-20 X 2 1/2 HCS
14	18	FLAT WASHER, 1/4 SS	WASHER, FLAT, 1/4, 316 SS
15	6	NYLOCK, 1/4-20 SS	NUT, 316 SS, NYLOCK, 1/4"-20
16	1	GROMMET, 5/16 X 1/2	GROMMET, CHARGER, 5/16 ID X 1/2
17	4	PAT-PMB-00	SOLAR CHARGER MOUNTING BRACKET
18	1	P-TPTR12	THREAD PROTECTOR, 1/2" OD X 2"
19	1	450 DEGR	SILICON, BLISTER PACKET, 450 DEGREE
20	1	ANTI SIEZE, PACKET, .75	ANTI SIEZE, PACKET, 5 GRAMS

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