



# Models: OC1225U / OC2412U OWNER'S MANUAL

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Congratulations on purchasing an Oz Charge fully automatic switched mode battery charger, power supply, maintainer and rejuvenator. Please take the time to carefully read and understand this manual before using this product. **Note:** This manual covers both the OC1225U and OC2412U models so please refer to the relevant specifications for your model.

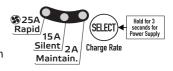
# **IMPORTANT SAFETY ADVICE AND WARNINGS**

- The charger is designed to charge and maintain conventional lead-acid batteries only.
   (VRLA), AGM, CALCIUM, GEL & WET. Not suitable for lithium type batteries.
- Always refer to the battery manufacturers specifications and recommendations if you're
  unsure of your battery charging requirements. Eg. Such as removing or not removing cell caps
  whilst charging, battery type, maximum charge rate etc..
- Explosive gases may escape from the battery during charging so please ensure the battery is charged in a well ventilated area.
- This charger is designed for indoor use only and should never be exposed to water, rain, snow, liquids etc.
- Do not attempt to use the charger if it has been dropped or damaged.
- Do not attempt to use the charger if the cables or plugs are damaged.
- If battery acid contacts your skin or clothing, wash immediately with soap and water. If acid enters your eye, immediately flush the eye with running cold water for at least 10 minutes and seek medical attention. Someone should always be within range of your voice.
- Never attempt to charge a damaged battery, frozen battery or non rechargeable battery.
- Never place the charger on the battery or battery on the charger.
- When working with lead-acid batteries, remove personal metal items such as rings, bracelets, necklaces, watches and make sure you don't short circuit the battery terminals with any type of metal tool or piece of jewellery as this will cause an explosion. You can wrap your spanner with insulation tape to minimise the risk of a short circuit.
- NEVER smoke, use an open flame or create sparks near a battery or charger during charging operation as this may cause an explosion and explosive gases.
- Do not disassemble the charger. Take it to a qualified and authorised person for repair.
- If using a generator, you must ensure you use a surge protector to protect the charger from voltage spikes.
- The charger must not be used or played with by infirm persons or children. Also keep it away from any pets.

# **MAIN FEATURES**

- 100% automatic smart battery charger & maintainer with reconditioning.
- Power Supply Mode
- Temperature Compensation (Sensor attached to Negative battery clamp)
- The battery charger is easy to use and requires no technical experience.
- Fully microprocessor controlled with safety timers at every stage.
- Battery condition analysis.

- Selectable battery type.
- Selectable charge rate / mode.
- Patented battery rejuvenation (reconditioning).
- Battery voltage retention analysis.
- Pulse charge for long term maintenance.
- Ultra lower power consumption (ECO Mode)
- Multi Stage:
  - 1 Qualification Battery condition check
  - 2 Battery rejuvenation (recondition mode)
  - 3 Soft start charging
  - 4 Bulk charging
  - 5 Absorption charging
  - 6 Equalisation charging
  - 7 Battery analysis
  - 8 Float mode
  - 9 Long term maintenance pulse charge
- Automatic diagnosis and charge: On power up, the charger will automatically diagnose the battery condition and determine if the rejuvenation mode (reconditioning) or charge cycle is required.
- Patented battery rejuvenation technology: The charger has a unique and patented rejuvenation feature which uses high voltage equalising and peak pulse reconditioning to repair sulphated batteries. This feature is fully automatic and depends on the internal impedance of the battery.
- Can be left on 24/7 to ensure your battery is always maintained and fully charged: The battery charger can be left unattended and left permanently connected all year round. The intelligent charger will monitor the battery voltage and will maintain it at peak performance with a special pulse charge during long term maintenance.
- Short circuit and reverse polarity protection:
- Heavy-duty and corrosion-resistant output connectors:
- **Crocodile clips and ring terminals:** It comes with 2 different kinds of connectors, crocodile clips and ring terminals. The ring terminals are part of the crocodile clips. You'll need and Alan key to remove the Crocodile clips from the ring terminal if you require this connection type.
- Rapid Charge Mode: Uses maximum charging current to ensure the fastest charge time. You may here the fan turn on during this mode.
- Silent Charge Mode (Night Mode): Charges at a reduced charge rate so the cooling fan is not required.
- Maintenance Mode: Ideal and recommended for long term maintenance charging or for charging smaller batteries.
- Power Supply Mode: Press & Hold the Charge Rate button for 3 seconds to activate and deactivate Power Supply Mode.
   When in Power Supply Mode, the Pwr. Supply LED will be ON.



**Note:** Image shows OC1225U model.

#### **TEMPERATURE & SAFETY PROTECTION:**

- INTERNAL OVERHEAT PROTECTION: The charger has a built-in overheat and an overload
  electronic circuit. This protects the charger from being damage if overheated or overloaded
  and will automatically decrease the charging current. Once the units internal temperature
  decreases to a safe level, the charger will resume normal charging.
- **SAFETY TIMER PROTECTION:** The charger has safety timers for every stage. If the battery voltage doesn't reach a certain voltage within a certain time, the unit will stop charging as it's highly likely that you're attempting to charge a severely discharged or heavily sulphated battery. If any of the stages time out, the charger will immediately stop charging in order to protect the battery. This will be indicated with the fault LED flashing slowly.
- **REVERSE POLARITY:** The charger has reverse polarity protection. If the charger output leads are connected reverse polarity, the fault LED will come on and the charger will be disabled. Simply unplug the charger from AC power and then connect the output leads to the correct polarity.
- **SHORT CIRCUIT PROTECTION:** The charger will automatically turn off if the output leads are short circuited and the fault LED will come on. This prevents the charger from being damaged if the positive and negative crocodile clips or the optional ring terminals accidently touch each other while the charger is turned on.
- **ECO MODE:** This Oz Charge battery charger has a built in ultra low power consumption circuit. If AC power is connected and the battery is disconnected, after 10 seconds the charger will automatically go into an ECO mode. Both the selected Charge Rate and Battery Type LED's will flash GREEN to indicate ECO mode. During this mode the power drawn is less than 0.5W which totals 0.01kWh per day power consumption. If AC power is connected and the battery is connected, once the battery is fully charged and during the long term maintenance stage, the total power consumption is around 0.03kWh per day.
- **TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION:** This Oz Charge battery charger comes with a temperature compensation sensor attached to the Negative Battery Clamp to esnure your batteries are charged at an optimum voltage.

# **BATTERY TYPES & CAPACITY:**

Suits conventional lead acid batteries (VRLA) AGM, Calcium, Gel & Wet.
 The Ah (Ampere Hours) capacities shown below are to be used as a general guide only. Some batteries may be able to handle a higher charge current. Refer to the battery manufacturers specifications and recommendations for your charging requirements.

	OC1225U (12Volt 25Amp Model)			OC2412U(24Volt 12Amp Model)		
Charge Rate:	2A	15A	25A	2A	8A	12A
Charging	15 - 40Ah	45 - 300Ah	75 - 500Ah	15 - 40Ah	24 - 160Ah	36 - 240Ah

# **ELECTRICAL PARTS & ACCESSORIES:**

AC Power Cord:	1.8m with SAA 3 Pin AU Plug
DC Output Lead:	1.8m with Crocodile Clips, Ring Terminals & Temp. Compensation
Charging Leads:	Crocodile Clips / Ring Terminals. <b>Note</b> : To use the ring teminals
	you'll need an Alan key to remove the bolts from the crocodile clips

## **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:**

Model Number	OC1225U	OC2412U	
Output	25A @ 12V DC	12A @ 24V DC	
Input Voltage	220-240Vac / 3.0A	220-240Vac / 3.0A	
Input Frequency	50Hz	50Hz	
Charge Voltage (25°C)	Gel - 14.1V AGM&WET - 14.4V Calcium - 14.7V	Gel - 28.2V AGM&WET - 28.8V Calcium - 29.4V	
Equalising Voltage	Gel - 14.3V AGM&WET - 14.6V Calcium - 15.5V	Gel - 28.6V AGM&WET - 29.2V Calcium - 31.0V	
Float Voltage	13.6V	27.2V	
Power Supply Output	13.8VDC / 25A Max.	27.6VDC / 12A Max.	
Start Voltage	2V	4V	
Operating Temperature	-15 to 50°C	-15 to 50℃	
Storage Temperature	-25 to 85°C	-25 to 85°C	
Operating Humidity	90% RH Max.	90% RH Max.	
Temp. Compensation	-25mV/°C	-50mV/°C	
Size (L*W*H)	279mm x 141mm x 67mm	279mm x 141mm x 67mm	
Weight	2 kg	2 kg	
Approvals	CE, AS/NZS, EMC	CE, AS/NZS, EMC	

# **CHARGING INSTRUCTIONS:**

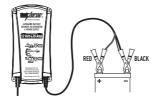
# STEP 1 - Pre charge check & electrolyte level check

- Check the Battery Electrolyte levels (Not required on sealed & maintenance free batteries).
   If necessary, remove the vent caps and add distilled water so the levels are halfway between the upper and lower fill lines.
- Check the battery voltage, type and Ah capacity to ensure the charger is compatible and to determine which Battery Type and Charge Rate settings you will use.
- Ensure the battery is in a well ventilated area and the charger should be as far away from the battery as the cables permit.

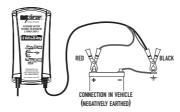
# STEP 2 - Connecting the battery charger to your battery

- If the Battery is **out of the vehicle:** 
  - Connect the Red (+) Crocodile clip or ring terminal to the (+) battery terminal.
  - Connect the Black (-) Crocodile clip or ring terminal to the (-) battery terminal.

**Note:** The Temperature Sensor should be connected to the Negative Battery terminal.



If the battery is still in the vehicle, determine if the vehicle is positively or negatively earthed.
 If Negatively Earthed (Most Common) – FIRST Connect the Red (+) Crocodile clip or ring terminal lead to the (+) battery terminal and then connect the Black (-) Crocodile clip or ring terminal lead to the vehicle's chassis. DO NOT connect the Black (-) lead to the carburettor or fuel lines.



• If Positively Earthed – FIRST Connect the Black (-) Crocodile clip or ring terminal lead to the (-) battery terminal and then connect the Red (+) Crocodile clip or ring terminal lead to the vehicle's chassis. DO NOT connect the Red (+) lead to the carburettor or fuel lines.



#### STEP 3 - Connect the battery charger to Mains Power (220-240Vac)

- The charger will automatically start when AC power is connected and switched on.
- **IMPORTANT**: Please make sure the correct Battery Type and your desired Charge Rate is selected to suit your battery by pressing the Select Buttons within the first 5 minutes of charging. For Example do not charge a Gel Battery on the Calcium Battery Type setting as this may damage your battery and / or reduce your battery life.

**Note:** If the Fault Indicator LED illuminates Red, please check your connections as it's likely that the Positive and Negative Leads are reversed.

#### THE CHARGING PROCESS:

#### 1) Qualification - Battery Condition Check

When the charger is first switched on it checks the battery condition to determine whether the battery needs reconditioning. During this qualification process it checks the internal impedance and initial voltage of the battery and it will determine how much charge current, if any that the battery will accept.

#### 2) Automatic Enhanced Battery Rejuvenation - Blue Bulk LED Flashing Fast

If the initial qualification detected that the battery was in poor condition, the patented rejuvenation process will begin automatically. During the rejuvenation process a high voltage equalising and peak pulse reconditioning charge is used to repair the sulphated battery. This unique patented feature will break down and dissolve the lead-sulphate crystal build up on the battery plates which will extend the life of your battery. It can also balance out high concentrations of acid. The equalisation voltage will be 16V(32V) maximum. If the charging current detected is less than 0.1A after 24 hours, the Rejuvenation process will time out.

#### Manual Enhanced Rejunvenation Mode

To manually rejuvenate your batteries, simply press and hold the Battery Type button for 3 seconds until the Blue Bulk LED flashes rapidly. This mode will last for 24 Hours. To stop rejuvenation mode, press and hold the Charge Rate button for 3 seconds until the Blue Bulk LED stops flashing rapidly. **Important Note:** Please check your Battery Type and Charge Rate selection to ensure you haven't accidentally changed these settings.

#### 3) Soft Start Charging - Blue Bulk LED Flashing Slow

Gently charges the battery using a reduced charge output until the battery voltages reaches 11V (22V). If the battery voltage doesn't reach 11V (22V) within 6 hours, the safety timer protection will stop the unit from charging and the Red Fault LED and Blue Bulk LED will start flashing.

#### 4) Bulk Charging - Blue Bulk LED ON (Charge Voltage depends on battery type selection)

Uses the maximum selected charge output until the battery voltage reaches the Charge Voltage specified for the selected Battery Type. If the battery voltage doesn't reach this within 24 hours, the safety timer protection will stop the unit from charging and the Red Fault LED will start flashing and the Blue Bulk LED will be ON.

#### 5) Absorption Charging - Green Absorption LED ON

Uses a constant voltage while reducing the charging output current to ensure the battery receives a full charge without overcharging the battery.

#### 6) Equalisation Charging - Blue Bulk LED and Green Absorption LED both flashing

A well proven process that carefully overcharges the battery to restore it's full capacity. The Equalisation stage for CALCIUM Battery type selection is automatic. The Equalisation stage for AGM&WET and GEL Battery Types only occurs if the initial start voltage is below 11V (22V).

#### 7) Battery Analysis - Green Full LED ON

The battery analysis stage checks the condition of the battery after the charge cycle is completed. If the battery voltage drops too quickly during the analysis mode, this means the battery is probably faulty. If the battery analysis failed, the Green Full LED flashing.

#### 8) Float Mode - Full Green LED ON

This stage allows you to keep the charger connected 24/7 to ensure your battery is well maintained and kept 100% fully charged. Float mode will maintain the battery at a constant 13.6V (27.2V).

#### 9) Long Term Maintenance - Full Green LED ON

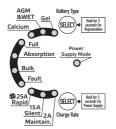
During long term maintenance / float mode, the unit will apply a special pulse charge to ensure the battery is kept in optimal condition.

#### **STEP 4 - Disconnecting the Battery charger from Battery**

- If the Battery is out of the vehicle:
  - (1) Switch OFF and Remove the AC Power Socket from the outlet.
  - (2) Remove the Black lead and then the Red lead.
- If the battery is still in the vehicle:
  - (1) Switch OFF and Remove the AC Power Socket from the outlet.
  - (2) Remove the lead from the vehicle chassis.
  - (3) Remove the lead from the battery.

**Note:** Check electrolyte levels if possible after charging as they may need topping up with distilled water. (This does not apply to sealed maintenance free batteries)

#### LED STATUS INDICATOR TABLE:



Note: Image shows OC1225U model.

LED	Status	Description		
Battery Type LL	Battery Type LED's			
Green	ON	Indicates which Battery Type is selected		
Charge Rate LE	Charge Rate LED's			
Green	ON	Indicates which Charge Rate / Charge Mode is selected		
Charging Statu	Charging Status LED's			
Full Green	Flash/ON	Flashing if Analysis failed or ON if fully charged - Float / Maintenance mode		
Absor. Green	Flash/ON	Flashing during equalisation charging or ON during Absorption charging		
Bulk Blue	Flash/ON	Fast Flash - Rejuvenation / Slow Flash - Soft Start charging / ON - Bulk charging		
Power Supply	ON	Unit in Power Supply Mode. 25A LED will also be ON.  Note: If the Fault LED is ON while in Power Supply Mode, this indicates either Short Circuit, Reverse Polarity or Overload.		
Fault LED				
Red	ON	Short circuit/reverse polarity or Rejuvenation failed if Bulk LED also flashing slow		
Red	Flashing	Over temperature protection mode / Soft start charging timed out if Blue Bulk LED also flashing fast / Bulk charging timed out if Blue Bulk LED also ON		

**Note:** If both the Battery Type and Charge Rate LED's are flashing, this means the unit is in ECO mode.

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		Current (AMPS)	Voltage (volts)
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SOFT START Increases your battery life by gently starting to charge the battery until the battery reaches a set voltage.	/ DNI		
BULK CHARGE Reduces charging time by delivering maximum charge until the battery reaches a set voltage.	MAINT		
ABSORPTION Uses constant voltage and ensures the hattery receives a full charge without overcharging the battery.	NINIA		
EQUALISATION Restores full capacity to halteries by removing acid stratification.	CHARGING / MAINTAINING PROCESS		
ANALYSIS Checks the battery condition to ensure it's fully charged.	CESS		
FLOAT Maintains the battery at 100% charge.			
MAINTENANCE Special pulse charge for long-term maintenance to ensure the battery is in optimal condition.		חחחחר	m

# **TROUBLE SHOOTING**

Problem	Indication	Possible Causes	Suggested Solution
Charger does not work?	No Indicator lights on	- No AC power	- Check AC connections and make sure the AC Power Point is switched ON Try a different AC Power Point which you know is working.
Charger does not work?	Both Charge Rate and Battery Type LED's Flashing	- Unit in ECO Mode	- No Battery is connected or detected and unit is in Eco Mode. - Check battery connection and voltage is over 2V(OC1225U) or 4V(OC2412U)
Charger has no DC output?	Fault Red LED is ON	- Output is short circuited - Reverse polarity protection - Loose / bad connection to the battery	- Check DC connection between charger and battery and make sure they are not short circuited. (Touching each other) - Check that the crocodile clips have not fallen off or come loose Check that the crocodile clips/ring terminals are connected to the correct polarity.  Note: The charger output is only present when connected to a battery.
No charging current?	Fault Red LED is Flashing	- Battery is severely sulphated - Battery has a damaged cell - Overheat protection mode	- Check the battery condition, age etc Battery may need replacement Move battery & charger to a cooler environment.
The full / float light won't come on.	Fault Red LED is Flashing or Full Green LED is Flashing	- Battery Ah capacity too large for the battery charger and it has time out - Battery is defective - Battery is severely sulphated	- Check the charger specifications match the battery capacity. Eg. make sure battery capacity is not too big for the charger Battery may need replacement Charge rate selected might be too low for the battery. Switch charger off and on and try again or try a higher charge rate setting providing it doesn't exceed the maximum charge limit for your battery.
No Output in Power Supply Mode	Fault LED is ON and Power Supply LED is ON	- Output leads are Short Circuited or Reverse Polarity - Output has been overloaded	- Check output connections. - Switch off some loads to reduce load current.

# **OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES / REPLACEMENT PARTS**

Model: OC-RDP - Oz Charge Remote Display to suit OC1225U/OC2412U For the full range of replacement parts and accessories, please visit our website: www.ozcharge.com.au. / www.ozcharge.co.nz

#### 2 YEAR PRODUCT WARRANTY

Zylux Distribution Pty. Ltd. (ABN 66 101 378 009) of 166 Christmas Street, Fairfield, Victoria, 3078, Australia warrants to the Customer that this product is substantially free from defects in materials and workmanship under normal use for a period of Two Years from the Date of Purchase. Please ensure you keep a copy of your purchase receipt on file as this will be required to validate your warranty.

#### **Obtaining Warranty Service:**

Within the warranty period, the Customer must contact the authorised supplier / retailer where the product was purchased or alternatively you can contact the Oz Charge service centre through one of the following methods:

Service help phone: Within Australia (03) 9482 2203

**Outside of Australia:** +61 3 9482 2203

Website: www.ozcharge.com.au / www.ozcharge.co.nz

If the Authorised Supplier and / or Oz Charge service centre concludes that while under normal use, a product failure or malfunction occurred during the warranty period and was caused by a defect in material or workmanship (see Exclusions), the Customer will be asked to ship to the nearest service point for repair or replacement, at our discretion. The product must be packaged appropriately for safe shipment. To prove that the product is under warranty, the customer should enclose a copy of their receipt for proof of purchase. It is recommended that returned products be sent by registered mail as Zylux Distribution Pty. Ltd. (Oz Charge) accepts no responsibility / liability for goods lost or damaged in transit.

#### **Exclusions:**

If upon receiving a product for repair and if testing and examining the product has disclosed that the alleged defect or malfunction in the product does not exist or was caused by the Customer or any third persons misuse, neglect, physical abuse, water damage, unauthorised attempts to open, exposure to extremely high temperatures, tampered with or repaired by an unauthorised persons, this will not be covered under this warranty. Also charges may apply to any product returned which has no fault found or if the warranty has expired or been void.

#### This Warranty is also void if:

- 1. The warranty seal is broken or altered.
- 2. The warranty period has expired.
- 3. The product has been tampered with or repaired by an unauthorised person.
- 4. If used on a generator without using a surge protector.

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure. For New Zealand customers, this warranty is in addition to statutory rights observed under New Zealand legislation.

# **Optional Remote Display (Model: OC-RDP)**



The optional remote display will suit both the OC1225U and OC2412U.

For further information, please visit www.ozcharge.com.au / www.ozcharge.co.nz.



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