



Wind Power Inverter  
**WINDY BOY 5000A/6000A**  
User Manual





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# 1 Information on this Manual

## 1.1 Validity

This manual applies to the following device types:

- WB 5000A
- WB 5000A-11
- WB 5000A-IT
- WB 6000A
- WB 6000A-11
- WB 6000A-IT

## 1.2 Target Group

This manual is intended for the operator.






## 1.3 Additional Information

You will find additional information on the device-specific technical data in the installation manual provided.

You will find additional information on special subjects (e.g. description of the operating parameters) in the download area at [www.SMA.de/en](http://www.SMA.de/en).

## 1.4 Symbols Used

The following types of safety precautions and general information are used in this manual:

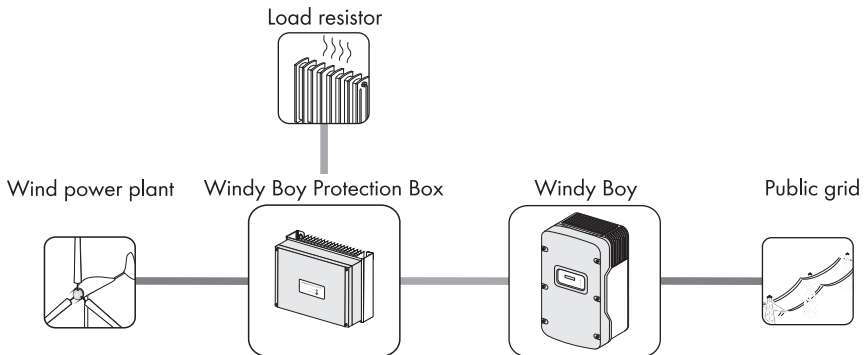
	<b>DANGER!</b>
DANGER indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will directly result in death or serious injury.	
	<b>WARNING!</b>
WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.	
	<b>CAUTION!</b>
CAUTION indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.	
	<b>NOTICE!</b>
NOTICE indicates a situation that can result in property damage if not avoided.	
	<b>Information</b>
Information provides tips that are valuable for the optimal installation and operation of the product.	

## 2 Safety

### 2.1 Intended Use

The Windy Boy is a wind energy inverter, which converts rectified current of a small wind turbine system into AC current and feeds this energy into the power distribution grid, domestic grid or the Sunny Island system.

#### Principle of a small wind turbine system with a Windy Boy



Furthermore, the Windy Boy can be used as an inverter for power conversion units based on permanent magnet generators (hydro power system, combined heat and power plant, diesel generator, etc.). The manufacturer of the small wind turbine system or generator should have approved his plant for operation with this Windy Boy (also see the Windy Boy planning guidelines in the download area at [www.SMA.de/en](http://www.SMA.de/en)).

When designing the PV plant, ensure that the permitted operating range of all components is maintained at all times. In addition ensure that through the use of appropriate protective measures the maximum permissible input voltage of the inverter is not exceeded. SMA Solar Technology AG offers you the corresponding components, such as the Windy Boy Protection Box (overvoltage protection for wind power inverters including the rectifier).

## 2.2 Safety Instructions

**DANGER!**

**Electric shock caused by high voltage in the inverter**

Even when no external voltage is present, there can still be high voltages in the inverter. The following work should be carried out by electrically qualified personnel only.

- Electrical installation
- Repairs
- Modifications

**CAUTION!**

**Risk of burns through contact with the enclosure during operation**

- Only touch the enclosure lid and display during operation.

**NOTICE!**

**Damage to the inverter through overvoltage, if the yellow LED flashes 4 times.**






- Inform your installer immediately if the yellow LED should start flashing and the following display message appears.

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!PU-Overvoltage!  
!DISCONNECT DC!
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## 2.3 Explanation of Symbols











### 2.3.1 Symbols on the Inverter

Symbol	Explanation
	Operation display.
	Ground fault or varistor defective. Inform your installer.
	An error has occurred. Inform your installer <b>immediately</b> .
	You can operate the display by tapping the enclosure lid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single tap: The backlight switches on or the display scrolls one message further.</li> <li>• Two taps in quick succession*: The inverter displays the device type, the firmware version and the configured country setting (see Section 4.2 "Display Messages during Operation" (page 12)).</li> </ul>
	QR-Code <sup>®**</sup> for SMA bonus program You will find information on the SMA bonus program at <a href="http://www.SMA-Bonus.com">www.SMA-Bonus.com</a> .

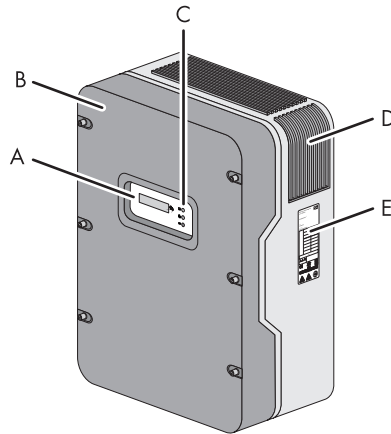
\* This function is valid from firmware version 2.18.

\*\* QR-Code is a registered trademark of DENSO WAVE INCORPORATED.

## 2.3.2 Symbols on the Type Label

Symbol	Explanation
	Beware of hazardous voltage. The inverter operates at high voltages. All work on the inverter must be carried out by electrically qualified personnel only.
	Beware of hot surface. The inverter can become hot during operation. Avoid contact during operation.
	Observe all documentation that accompanies the inverter.
	The inverter must not be disposed of together with the household waste. Further information on disposal can be found in the enclosed installation manual.
	CE mark. The inverter complies with the requirements of the applicable EC guidelines.
	The inverter has a transformer.
	Direct current (DC).
	Alternating current (AC).
	Degree of protection IP65. The inverter is protected against dust intrusion and water jets from any angle.
	RAL quality mark for solar products. The inverter complies with the requirements of the German Institute for Quality Assurance and Labeling.

### 3 Product Overview



Position	Designation
A	Display
B	Enclosure lid
C	LEDs Green LED = Operation Red LED = Ground fault or varistor defective Yellow LED = Disturbance
D	Ventilation grid
E	Type label for the identification of the inverter via the serial number (Serial No.).

## 4 Display

### 4.1 Operation

The display shows the current values of your plant. The displayed values are updated every 5 seconds.

You can operate the display by tapping the enclosure lid:

#### Single tap:

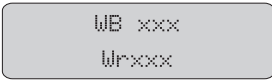
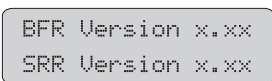
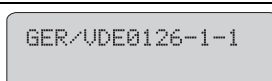
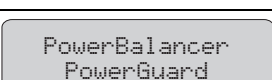
The backlight switches on or the display scrolls one message further.

#### 2 taps in quick succession (valid from firmware version 2.18):

The inverter successively displays the device type, the firmware version, the configured country setting and the configuration of the SMA Power Balancer.

### 4.2 Display Messages during Operation

After commissioning, the inverter successively displays the device type, the firmware version, the configured country setting and the configuration of the SMA Power Balancer. If you want to view again the display messages of the startup phase while in operation, double tap the enclosure lid (from firmware version 2.18).

Display message	Description
	Inverter device type
	Firmware version of internal processors
	Configured country standard of inverter (example: "GER/VDE0126-1-1")
	Configuration of the SMA Power Balancer (Example: "PowerGuard")

Upon error-free connection of the inverter to the power distribution grid, after approximately one minute, the display starts alternating between the messages shown below. Each message appears for 5 seconds, and then the cycle restarts from the beginning.

Display message	Description
<pre> E-today    0Wh Mode       Turbine           </pre>	Energy generated on the current day Status message "Turbine"
<pre> Pac        903W U<sub>pv</sub>      360V           </pre>	Current feed-in capacity Voltage of the small wind turbine system
<pre> Q<sub>ac</sub>      200VAr PF         0.987           </pre>	After a further 5 seconds or after tapping, the current values of the reactive power Q <sub>ac</sub> and of the displacement power factor cos φ (PF) are displayed.
<pre> E-total    0Wh h-total    0h           </pre>	Total amount of energy fed in Total number of operating hours in feed-in operation

### 4.3 Display Messages during a Disturbance




































In the event of a disturbance, the inverter displays the status "Disturbance" and an error message. Inform your installer.

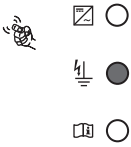
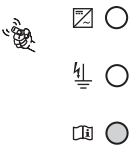
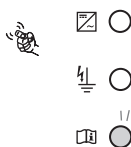
Display message	Description
<pre> E-today    0Wh Mode       Disturbance           </pre>	Energy generated on the current day Status message "Disturbance"
<pre> Disturbance U<sub>ac</sub>-Bfr           </pre>	Operating state Error message
<pre> at:        261V present:   245V           </pre>	Measured value at the time of the disturbance Current measured value (only displayed if a measured value is responsible for the disturbance)

### 4.4 DC Overvoltage

Display message	Description
<pre> !PU-Overvoltage! !DISCONNECT DC!           </pre>	The DC input voltage is too high at the inverter. Inform your installer <b>immediately!</b>

## 5 LED Signals

Status	Description	
      	All LEDs are on	The inverter is initializing.
      	All LEDs are off	The DC input voltage at the inverter is too low for feed-in.
      	All LEDs flashing	The inverter is in the start phase.
      	Green LED on	The inverter is feeding in to the power distribution grid.
      	Green LED flashing	<p>This flashing can have the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The inverter is monitoring the power distribution grid and is waiting for the DC voltage to reach a defined limit so that it can begin feeding the grid.</li> <li>• Operation interrupted.</li> <li>• Power limitation in the inverter.</li> </ul>

Status	Description	
	Red LED on	A ground fault has occurred or one of the thermally monitored varistors on the DC input side is defective. Inform your installer.
	Yellow LED on	The inverter is in the operating state "Permanent Shutdown". This can have several causes. Inform your installer.
	Yellow LED blinks	The inverter displays a disturbance. This can have several causes. Inform your installer.

## 6 Visual Inspection, Maintenance and Cleaning

### Visual inspection

Check the inverter and cables for any signs of external damage. Contact your installer if you find any damage. Do not perform any repair work yourself.

### Maintenance and Cleaning

Ask your installer to check that the inverter is operating correctly at regular intervals.

If the inverter is dirty and the visibility of the operating data and operating states of the inverter is limited, clean the enclosure lid, the display and the LEDs with a damp cloth. Do not use any corrosive substances (e.g., solvents or abrasives) for cleaning.



## 7 Troubleshooting

### 7.1 Status Messages

Your inverter can be in various operating states. These are displayed as status messages, which can vary according to the type of communication.

Message	Description
Balanced	The inverter has disconnected from the power distribution grid or is limiting its power over a 10-minute average to 4.6 kVA (in Italy: 6 kVA). The inverter is a part of a 3-phase system with 2 further inverters and is equipped with the SMA Power Balancer to prevent the formation of unbalanced loads.
Derating	Overtemperature in the inverter. The inverter reduces its output to prevent overheating. To avoid unnecessary output losses, check the plant configuration. Inform your installer.
Disturbance, disturbance	Disturbance. This message appears for safety reasons and ensures that the inverter does not connect to the power distribution grid. Inform your installer.
Error	An error has been detected. Inform your installer.
Earthfault	Measurement of the insulation resistance of the small wind turbine system.
Grid monitoring	Grid monitoring This message appears during the startup phase before the inverter is connected to the power distribution grid.
Off Grid	The inverter is in "Island" mode. This mode is specially designed for operation in an off-grid system.
Offset	Offset adjustment of the measurement electronics.
Stop	Operation interrupted.
Turbine	The inverter is in the operating state "Turbine". This mode is specially designed for operation on small wind turbine systems.
V-Const	Constant voltage mode.
Waiting	The connection conditions are not (yet) fulfilled.

## 7.2 Measurement Channels

If your inverter is equipped with a communication product, then numerous measuring channels and messages can be transmitted for diagnostics.

Measurement channel	Description
Balancer	Displays the current operating mode of the inverter that is set to the operating parameter "PowerBalancer".
Earthfault	Insulation resistance of the small wind turbine system before connecting to the power distribution grid.
Error	Identification of the current disturbance/error.
E-total	Total amount of energy fed in
Event-Cnt	Number of events that have occurred
Fac	Power frequency
h-On	Total operating hours
h-total	Total number of operating hours in feed-in operation
Iac	Line current
Ipv	Direct current
Is*	Apparent current
Power On	Total number of grid connections
Pac	Generated AC power
PF*	Displacement power factor $\cos \varphi$
Phase	The phase to which the inverter is connected.
Qac*	Reactive power
Sac*	Apparent power
Serial number	Inverter serial number
Status	Display of the current operating state
Vac	Line voltage
Vpv	DC input voltage
Vpv-Setpoint	DC target voltage

\* From firmware version 2.18

## 8 Glossary

### **AC**

Abbreviation for "alternating current".

### **DC**

Abbreviation for "direct current".

### **Derating**

A controlled reduction in performance, usually dependent on component temperatures.

### **SMA Power Balancer**

The SMA Power Balancer is a serial feature of the inverter. The SMA Power Balancer prevents the formation of an unbalanced load  $> 4.6$  kVA (in Italy  $> 6$  kVA) during three-phase feed-in. To this effect, 3 Windy Boys are connected via a control line to a 3-phase feed-in unit.

### **Varistor**

The varistors protect the electronics in the inverter from atmospherically coupled energy peaks, such as may occur when lightning strikes nearby.

## 9 Contact

If you have technical problems, first contact your installer. We require the following information in order to provide you with the necessary assistance:

- Inverter device type
- Inverter serial number
- Type of connected wind turbine system
- Blink code or display message of the inverter
- Optional equipment (e.g. communication products)

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