



Can solar and shore power charge battery at same time

Can shore power and solar panels be used at the same time?

Yes, shore power and solar panels can be used at the same time. Both are systems used to charge the batteries and are designed to be compatible with each other, so there is no need to turn off the solar when shore power is plugged in. Both systems monitor the battery bank's State of Charge and supply power to the batteries as needed.

Do solar panels affect batteries if plugged in to shore line?

If you are plugged in to shore line, the panels won't have any effect on your batteries, the control panel will cut the voltage between the panels and your batteries, since the converter will charge them. Not completely true, it depends on how much solar power you have and how the charge controller is programmed.

Do solar panels overcharge a boat battery?

The recommended bulk charge voltage for the battery bank is 14.4 volts. At the dock the boat is typically plugged in to shore power and the battery soon gets fully charged. So the worry is that if solar panels are running at the same time will they overcharge the battery because it now has two sources charging it.

Can I use shore power to charge my batteries?

While shore power can be ideal, it's not feasible if you want to venture away from the dock. You would need to have a very long extension cord! This is where battery power comes in. But before you leave for your next excursion, it's important to know that you can use the shore power to charge your batteries.

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Will a solar converter/Charger work if I'm on shore power?

So.. Yes, will work, will work just fine. Should have no trouble at all. If your solar power will supply enough to run all your 12VDC devices, then just turn off the converter/charger when on shore power. If the solar can't keep up with the load and the batteries discharge, just turn the converter/charger on until the batteries are charged up.

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