

VASCO Solar.

Installation and Operating Manual.



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1. VASCO Solar Introduction

VASCO Solar Solar inverters come to power traditional pumping systems using photovoltaic energy.

In this way it's possible to convert old systems in renewable energy installations or to use the same AC pumps in the creation of independent, cost-saving and environmentally sustainable water systems.

VASCO Solar Solar is able to convert DC voltage coming from photovoltaic panels into AC voltage for powering any pump driven by three phase asynchronous motor.

MPPT (Maximum Power Point Tracking) maximizes, for various conditions of irradiation and temperature, the electrical power drawn from the panels so the amount of pumped water.

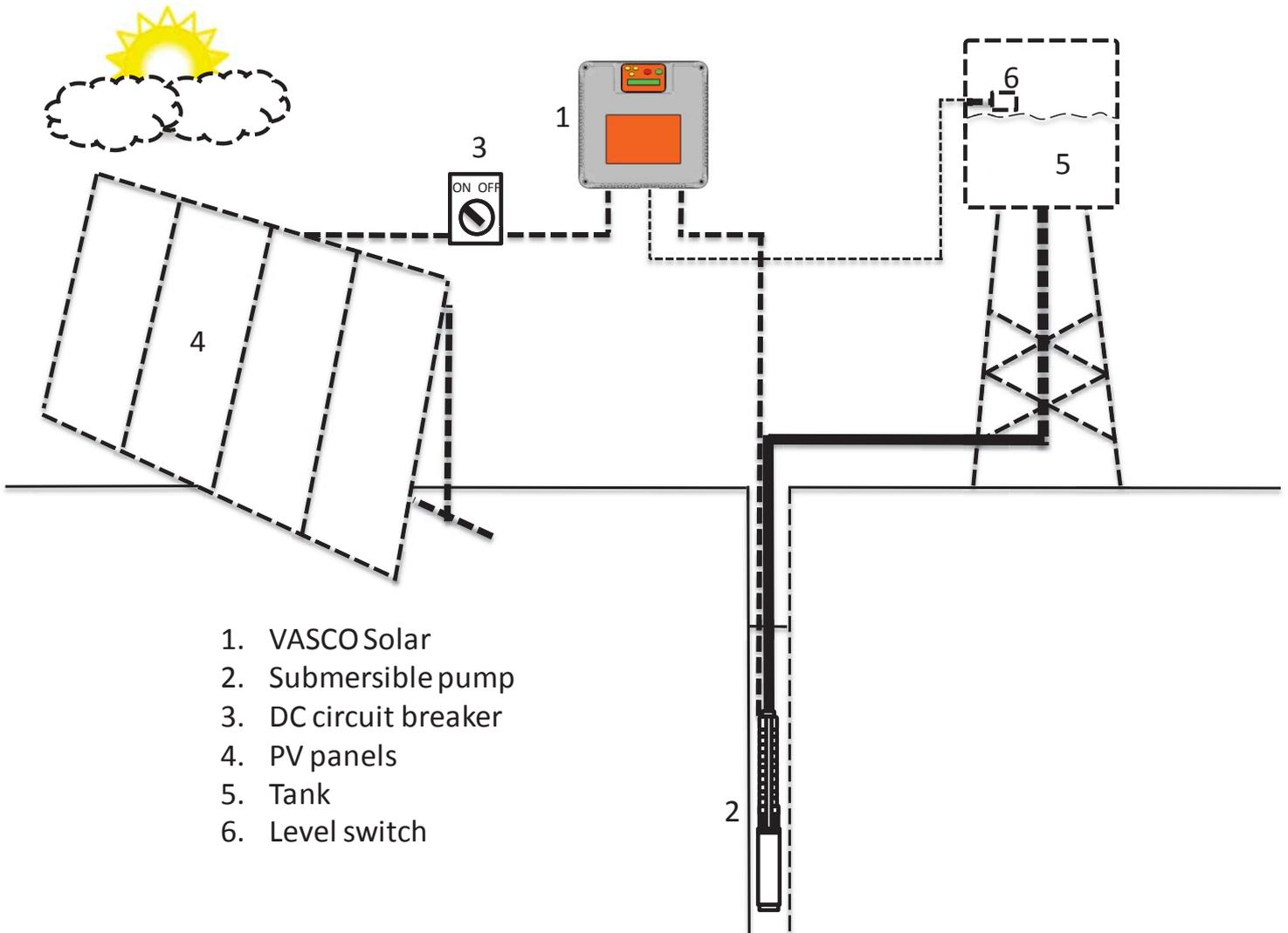
Pump speed is constantly adapted to available solar irradiation thus maximizing the amount of pumped water and making possible operation even in low irradiation conditions.

VASCO Solar also offers complete pump protection against over-voltage, over-current and dry running.

VASCO Solar can be used with any type of traditional AC pump thus offering maximum flexibility in several application areas.

In the use with submersible pumps, VASCO Solar allows to fill tanks for watering livestock or simply irrigate lawns or crops.

In the use with surface pumps, VASCO Solar can serve an irrigation fishing from a nearby water reserve or feed with no energy cost a pool pump.



2. Safety Instructions

The manufacturer strongly suggests carefully reading this operation manual before using and installing its products. Any operation (installation, maintenance and repair) must be carried out by trained, skilled, and qualified personnel. Failure to observe and follow the instructions in this manual may result in dangerous and potentially lethal electric shock. Pay attention to all standard safety and accident prevention regulations.

	<p>The device must be connected to main power supply via a switch to ensure the complete disconnection from the network before any operation on the VASCO Solar itself (including visual inspection) and/or on the connected load.</p>
	<p>Disconnect VASCO Solar from the power supply before commencing any work.</p> <p>Do not remove, for any reason, the cover and the cable plate without having first disconnected the device from the main power supply and having waited at least 5 minutes.</p> <p>VASCO Solar and pumping system must be grounded properly before operation. For the entire period VASCO Solar is powered, high voltage is present on the output terminals of the inverter whether or not the pump is running.</p> <p>Tightening all 4 screws on the cover with washers is recommended before powering the device. Otherwise, there may be a failure to connect the cover to ground, creating the risk of electric shock or even death.</p>

Avoid any shock or significant impact during transport.

Check the VASCO Solar immediately upon delivery and check for damage and/or missing parts. If either occurs, immediately notify the supplier.

Damages due to transport, incorrect installation, or improper use of the device will null and void the warranty.

Tampering or disassembly of any component will automatically void the warranty.

The manufacturer cannot be held responsible for any damages to people and/or property due to improper use of its products.

3. Technical Characteristics

Model	Vin	Vin P1 nom*	Max Vout	Max I out	Typical motor P2	
	[VDC]	[VDC]	[VAC]	[A]	[VAC]	[kW]
VASCO Solar 212	120 – 650	> 320	3 x 230	12	3 x 230	2,2
VASCO Solar 409	320 – 850	> 560	3 x 400	9	3 x 400	3
VASCO Solar 412	320 – 850	> 560	3 x 400	12	3 x 400	4
VASCO Solar 415	320 – 850	> 560	3 x 400	15	3 x 400	5,5
VASCO Solar 418	320 – 850	> 560	3 x 400	18	3 x 400	7,5
VASCO Solar 425	320 – 850	> 560	3 x 400	25	3 x 400	11
VASCO Solar 430	320 – 850	> 560	3 x 400	30	3 x 400	15

- Max ambient temperature at nominal current: 50°C (122 °F)
- Max. altitude at nominal current: 1000 m
- Grade of protection: IP65 (NEMA 4)*
- RS485 serial communication
- PWM configurable: 2.5 ,4, 6, 8, 10 kHz

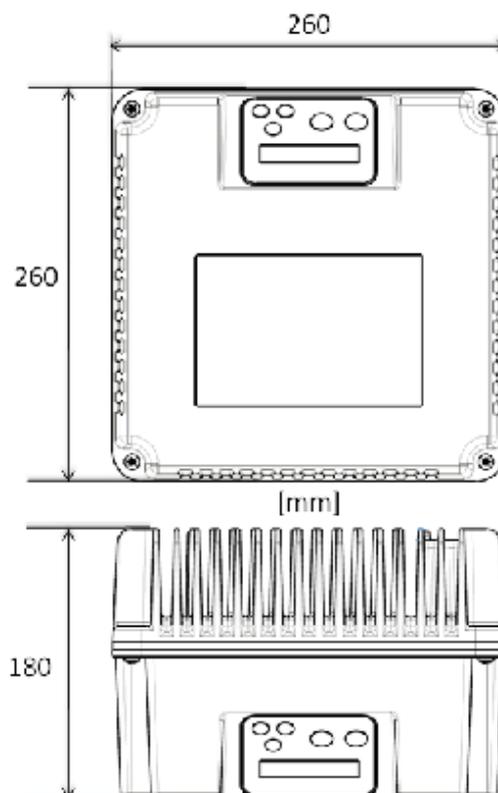
* avoid direct exposition to solar rays.

VASCO Solar Solar is able to power the motor with a higher current for a short period of time according to the linear relation: 101% of the nominal current for 10min., 110% nominal current for 1 min.

3.1 Weight and dimensions

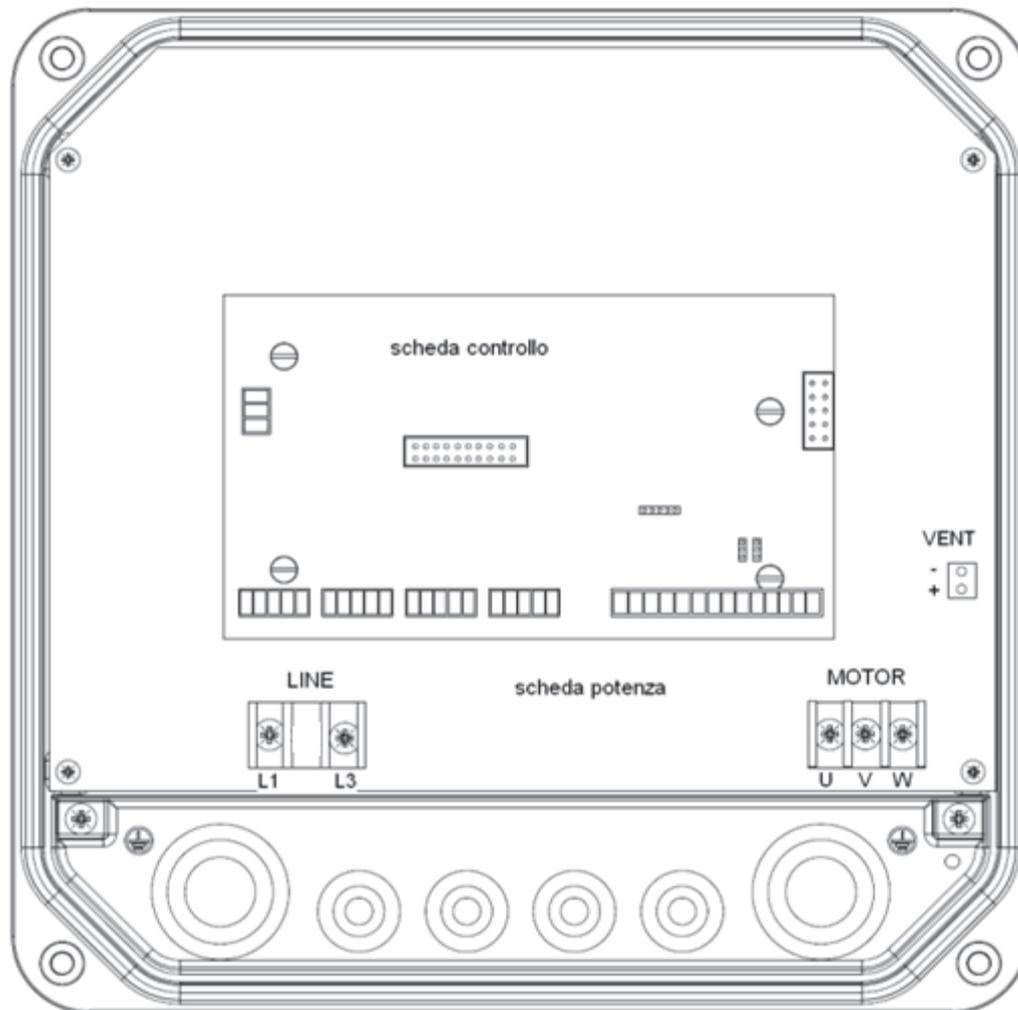
Model	Weight *
	[Kg]
VASCO Solar 212	8,2
VASCO Solar 409	8,3
VASCO Solar 412	8,5
VASCO Solar 415	8,5
VASCO Solar 418	8,7
VASCO Solar 425	8,7
VASCO Solar 430	8,7

* Weight without packing.



4. Electric wiring

Power board



DC Input:

LINE: L1, L3, GND

It is recommended to use cable lugs.

It is not necessary to respect polarity.

Motor output:

MOTOR: U, V, W, GND

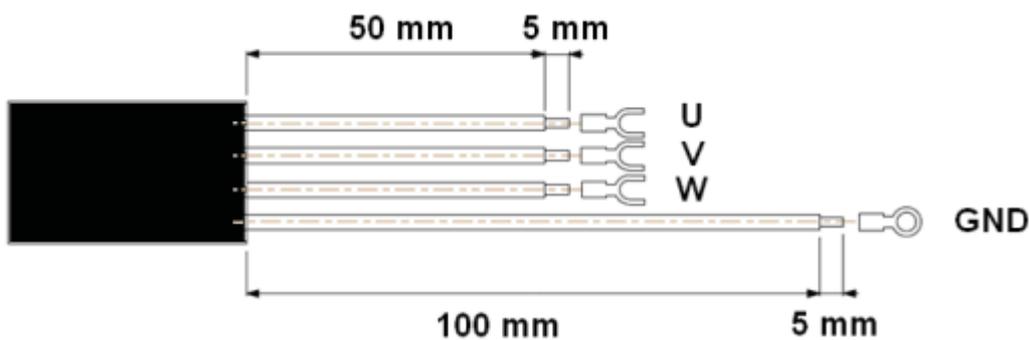
It is recommended to use cable lugs.

12 V dc auxiliary fans (wall mounting kit)

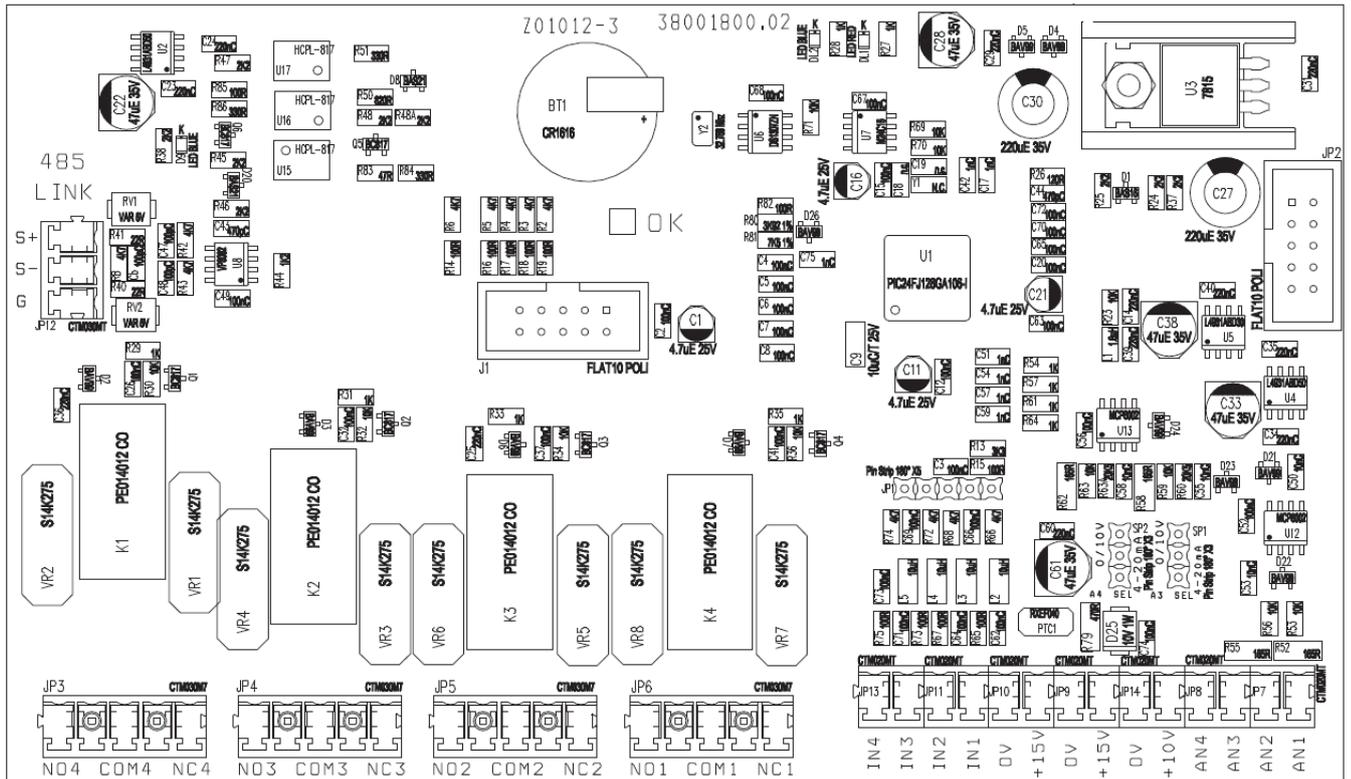
VENT: +, -

WARNING: respect the polarity.

Cable stripping recommended for line input and output to the motor.



Control board



<p>Analog inputs (10 or 15 Vdc):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AN1: 4-20 mA: sensor 1 2. AN2: 4-20 mA: sensor 2 3. AN3: 4-20 mA / 0 - 10 Vdc (settable by jumper C.C.): external set 4. AN4: 4-20 mA / 0 - 10 Vdc (settable by C.C.): trimmer for frequency regulation / external set 2 	<p>Digital outputs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • motor run signal: NO1, COM1: closed contact with motor running. NC1, COM1: closed contact with motor stopped. • alarm signal NO2, COM2: opened contact without alarm. NC2, COM2: closed contact without alarm. • DOL1 pump relay: NO3, COM3: closed contact with DOL1 running. NC3, COM3: opened contact with DOL1 running. • DOL2 pump relay: NO4, COM4: closed contact with DOL2 running. NC4, COM4: opened contact with DOL2 running. <p>Relays are no voltage contacts. Max. voltage to the contacts is 250 V with max current of 5 A.</p>	<p>RS485:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S+ • S- • G <p>It is recommended to respect the polarity linking more VASCO Solars in series.</p>
<p>Digital inputs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IN1 : motor start & stop • IN2: value set 1 & 2 switching • IN3: sensor 1 & 2 switching • IN4 : motor start & stop + alarms reset • 0V <p>We recommend using only no voltage contacts. Opening or closing the digital contacts (depending on software configuration set (see inst. parameters) you can start or stop the motor.</p>		

4.1 Protections

The protections required upstream each VASCO Solar depends on the type of installation, and local regulations. We recommend to use 1000 VDC, 16 A circuit breaker and, if possible, 1000 VDC surge protection.

4.2 Electromagnetic compliance

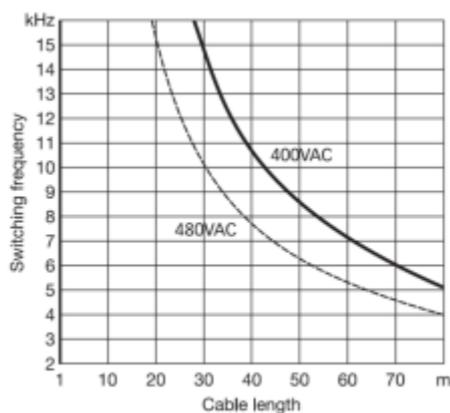
To ensure electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) of the system, it is necessary to apply the following measures:

- Always connect the device to ground
- Use shielded signal cables by placing the screen at one end.
- Use motor cable as short as possible (<1 m / <3 ft). For longer lengths, it is recommended to use shielded cables connecting the screen at both ends.
- Separate signal, motor, and power supply cables.

Note: To enable the restoration of the display screen when there are electromagnetic interference, VASCO Solar periodically provides some fast "refresh" of the display.

4.3 Installation with long motor cables

With long motor cables it's recommended to decrease the commutation frequency from 10 kHz (default) to 2.5 kHz (advanced parameters). This reduces the probability of voltage spikes in the motor windings which may damage the insulation.



To prevent dangerous overheating of dv / dt and sinusoidal filters it is recommended to set the correct PWM value in relation to the cable length.

For motor cable lengths up to 50 meters it's recommended to place between VASCO Solar and motor a dv / dt reactance, available on request.

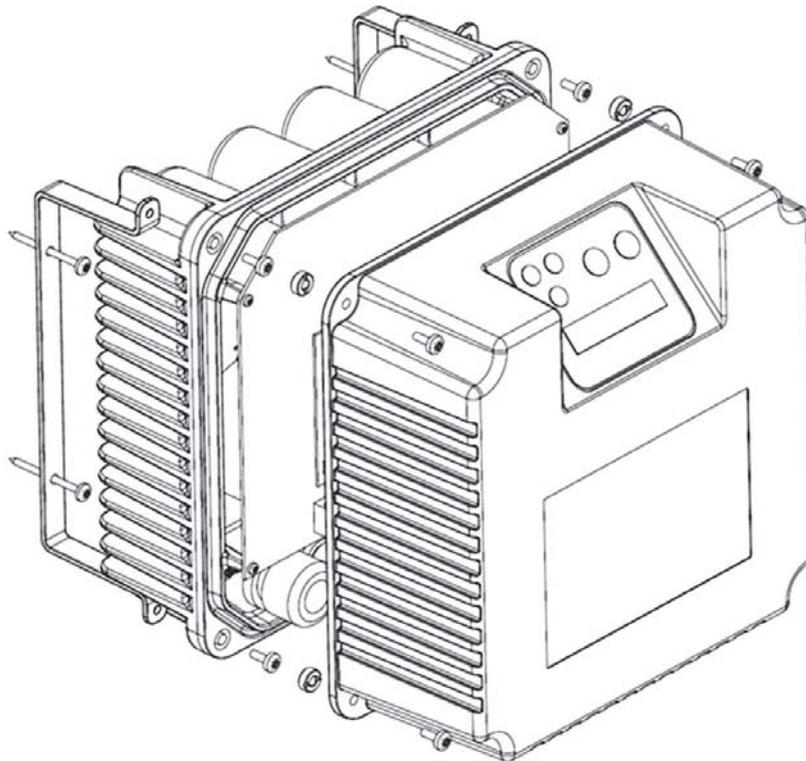
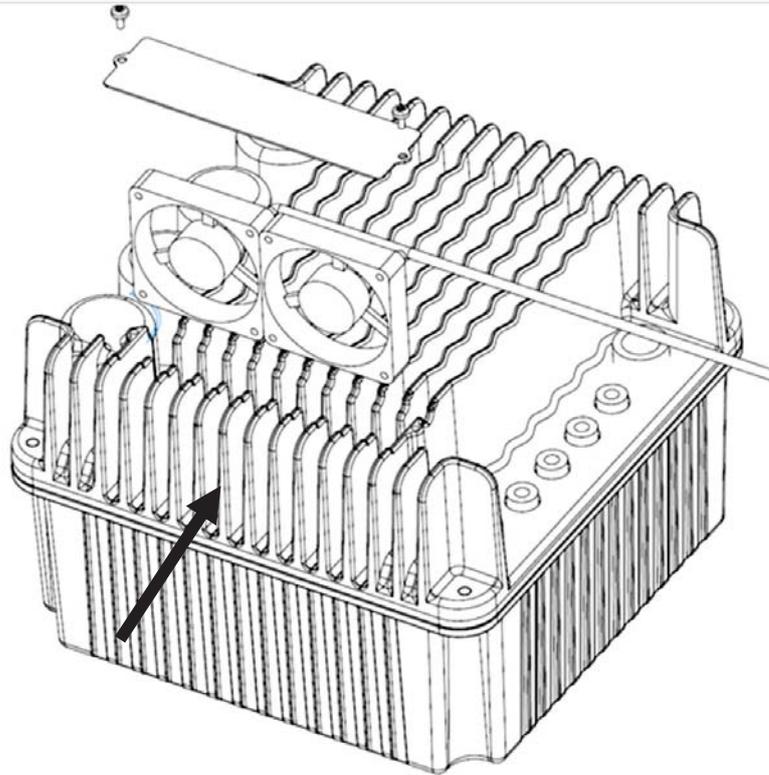


For motor cable lengths greater than 50 meters it's recommended to place between VASCO Solar and motor a sinusoidal filter, available on request.



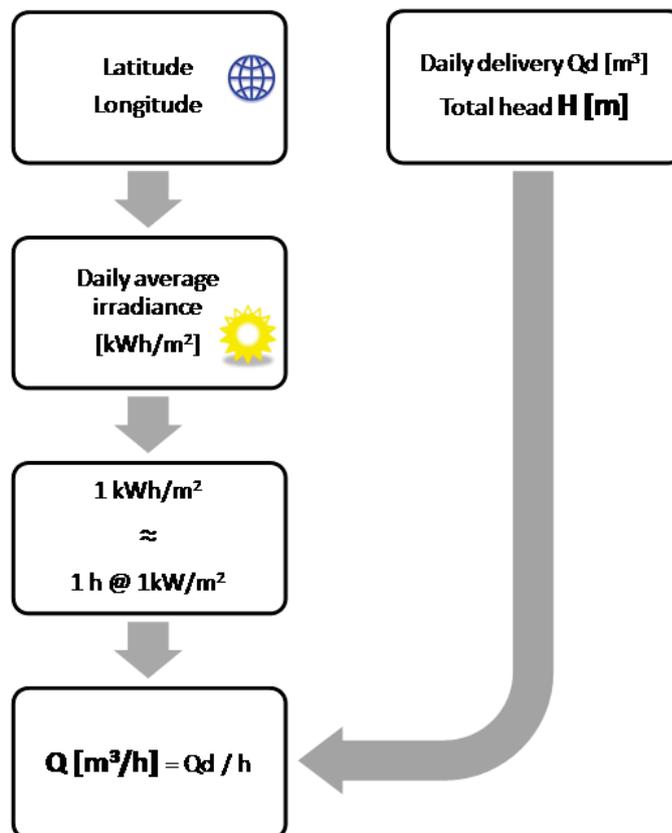
5. VASCO Solar installation

- n.° 2 12 V DC fans.
- n.° 1 fans cover.
- n.° 2 fans cover fixing screws
- n.° 2 wall fixing brackets
- n.° 4 M5 screws for VASCO Solar fixing to the brackets
- n.°1 holes reference sheet



6. PV system sizing

The pumping system must be designed considering daily flow rate required, total head and installation site. In particular, the choice of the pump must be carried out considering the average daily radiation.



Once determined the required pump, must need to know:

- Rated pump power (P_2)
- Electrical motor power (P_1). P_1 can be derived by dividing P_2 with motor efficiency.
- Rated motor current
- Rated motor voltage (3 x 230 VAC or 3 x 400 VAC)

VASCO Solar model to be used is determined by considering voltage and rated motor current.

To ensure maximum performance, the PV system, consisting of 1 or more strings of solar panels connected in series, must provide:

- Electrical motor power (P_1)

The photovoltaic power (W_p) must be at least equal to the electric motor power (P_1). Typically, taking into account the efficiency loss due to panels temperature, it is recommended to increase W_p of 15% respect to P_1 .

- Rated motor voltage at maximum power

The rated voltage of each PV string (V_{mp}) must be at least equal to the rated motor voltage multiplied by the factor 1,4.

- The open-circuit voltage of each string (V_{oc}) must be less than the maximum operating voltage of VASCO Solar.

Example:

Pump nameplate

- Rated motor power: $P_2 = 3$ kW
- Electric motor power: $P_1 = 4$ kW
- Rated motor current: 8.3 A
- Rated motor voltage: 3 x 400 VAC

VASCO Solar selection

Being the rated motor voltage 400 VAC and the rated current 8.3 A, the most suitable model for the application is VASCO Solar 409.

PV system sizing

PV panels used:

- $W_p = 240 \text{ W}$
- $V_{mp} = 30 \text{ VDC}$
- $V_{oc} = 37 \text{ VDC}$
- $I_{mp} = 8 \text{ A}$

Since $P_1 = 4 \text{ kW}$, considering efficiency loss due to temperature, the required electrical power is increased of 15% so $W_p = 4.6 \text{ kW}$.

To develop 4.6 kW are needed 19 panels of 240 W.

$V_{mp} = 19 \times 30 = 570 \text{ VDC}$ is greater than the rated motor voltage multiplied by 1.4 ($400 \times 1.4 = 560 \text{ VDC}$) and $V_{oc} = 19 \times 37 = 703 \text{ VDC}$ is less than the maximum voltage of VASCO Solar 409 (850 VDC).

For this reason a single string of 19 PV panels can be installed.

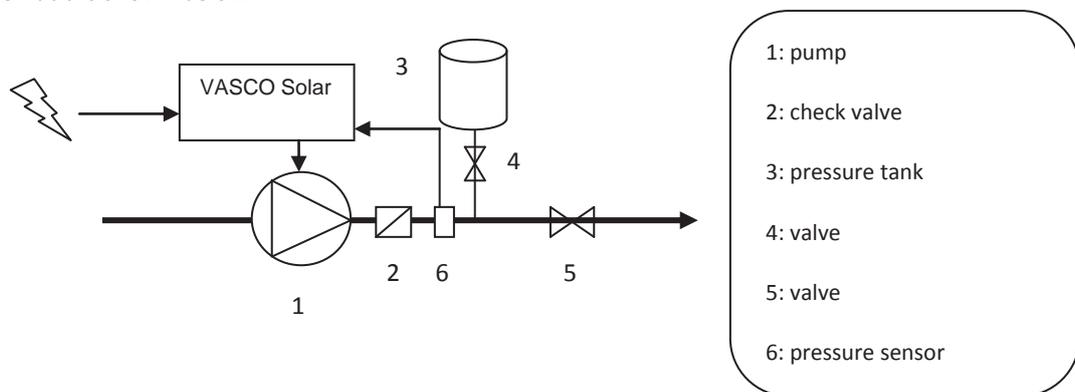
7. VASCO Solar Installation for constant pressure control

VASCO Solar, apart from MPPT control, offers other several operation modes such as constant pressure with 1 or 2 reference values.

This last operation mode is particularly indicated in those plants where it's preferred to store electrical energy in batteries and use it when it occurs.

To ensure maximum energy saving, and lengthen batteries life, it's useful to select constant pressure mode in which the pump speed, and so the power consumption, is varied while maintaining a constant desired pressure.

VASCO Solar controls the pump speed to maintain constant pressure at a set point independent of the water demand in the system. A basic schematic is shown below:



7.1.1 Pressure tank

Installation of a pressure tank in the hydraulic system is recommended to compensate leakage of water in the system (or during minimum water demand) and to avoid continuous start/stop cycling of the pump (check the appendix for more information). Selecting the proper volume and pre-charge pressure of the tank is very important; smaller tank volumes will not compensate adequately for minimum water usage or leakage, while larger volumes make it more difficult for VASCO Solar to control the pressure evenly.

Recommended tank volume is equal to the 10% of the maximum water flow of the system (expressed in volume unit/min)

Example: if the max water flow is 50 liters/min, the pressure tank should have a capacity of 5 liters

If the max water flow is 20 gpm, the pressure tank should have a capacity of 2 gallons

Pre-charge pressure of the pressure tank should be at least 80% than the set-pressure of the system.

Example: if the set-pressure of the system is 4 bar, the pre-charge pressure of the tank should be 3.2 bar

If the set-pressure of the system is 60 psi, the pre-charge pressure of the tank should be 48 psi

7.1.2 Pressure sensor

VASCO Solar requires a pressure sensor with a linear output signal within the range 4 – 20 mA. The pressure transducer can be powered by any range of DC Voltage which includes the value 15 V dc.

VASCO Solar accepts the signal of a second pressure sensor in order to:

- realize constant differential pressure (AN1 – AN2).
- substitute first pressure sensor when it fails
- switch pressure sensor by closing digital input IN2

SENSOR 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AN1: 4-20 mA (-) signal • +15V: 15 Vdc (+) power supply
SENSOR 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AN2: 4-20 mA (-) signal • +15V: 15 Vdc (+) power supply

8. VASCO Solar Use and Programming

VASCO Solar software is extremely simple to use, but allows a wide variety of parameters to be set for ideal system calibration. Setting Parameters are organized in 2 levels:

1: Installer level

A password is required for this level; these parameters are adjustable by trained professionals

Default password: **001**

From the menu a different password can be set up.

2. Advanced level

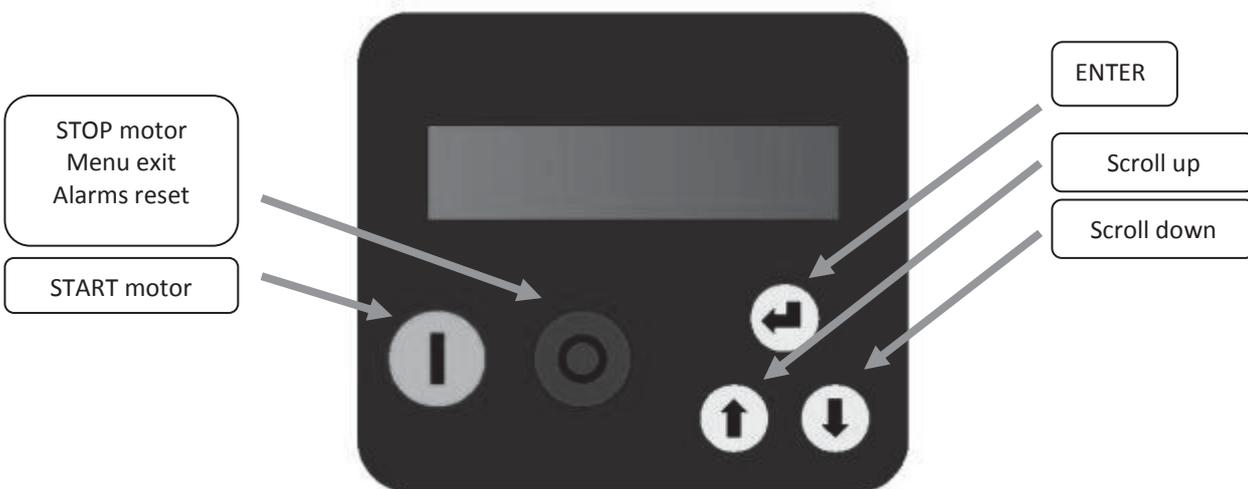
A second and different password is required; improper setting of these advanced parameters could compromise the integrity and the life of VASCO Solar and pump;

Default password **002**

It is possible to set up a different password.

Installer and Advanced levels can be entered only with the correct password; otherwise, it is impossible to set up and/or modify any parameters (they can be only displayed).

8.1 VASCO Solar display



Screen is a back-lit LCD displaying 2 rows of 16 digits each. Alarms are indicated by an audible signal.

8.2 Initial configuration

When VASCO Solar is switched on for the first time, the initial setting menu is displayed for the initial setting of parameters to configure pump and system characteristics.

If the initial setting procedure is not completed properly, it is impossible to run the pump. Initial setting procedure can be repeated if necessary.

The initial setting procedure can be repeated (by using the 2nd level password) to reconfigure VASCO Solar or if VASCO Solar is installed in a different system.

A brief description of parameters and their allowable ranges are listed below:

Parameter		Default	Description
Language XXXXXX		XXXX	End user communication language
Open circuit Volt. PV V = XXX [V]		XXX	Open circuit voltage of PV strings. Please refer to PV panels datasheet.
Rated motor Volt. V = XXX [V]		XXX	Motor rated voltage (as shown in the motor plate) Average voltage drop due to the inverter is between 20 V and 30 Vrms based on load condition.
Rated motor Amp. I = XX.X [A]		XX	Rated current of the motor per it's nameplate indication increased by 10%. The voltage drop caused by the inverter leads to higher input current than nominal. Make sure motor is capable of accepting increased current.
Rated motor freq f = XXX [Hz]		50	Rated frequency of the motor per its nameplate.
Control mode: MPPT			
Motor test START/STOP			Press START/STOP to run a test at rated frequency Warning: make sure to run the system without damaging pump and system
Rotation sense ---> / <---		--->	If, during the test, the motor runs in reverse, it is possible to change the wiring sequence via software without physically changing wires at the terminals.
Autorestart ON/OFF		OFF	If ON is selected, after a lack of voltage, VASCO Solar returns to its normal status; if VASCO Solar was powering the pump before the voltage drop, it resumes powering the pump automatically. <u>Warning</u> , review the advice in chapter 1
INITIAL SETUP COMPLETED			Once the Setting procedure is completed you will get this indication on the display; setting parameters are recorded by VASCO Solar; these parameters can be set up individually in the INSTALLER Parameters menu or ADVANCED Parameters menu.

8.3 Initial view

When first powering the VASCO Solar, the display shows : release of display software (LCD = X.XX) and the release of inverter software (INV = X.XX) as shown below:

LCD = X.XX

INV = X.XX

The following End User messages are displayed by pushing the scroll buttons:

Inv: ON/OFF Mot: ON/OFF p = XX.X [bar]	<i>p is the pressure value read by the pressure transducer. By pressing ENTER the pressure set value is displayed <XXX.X></i>
Inv: ON/OFF Mot: ON/OFF V_in = XXX [Hz]	<i>V_in is the line voltage.</i>
Inv: ON/OFF Mot: ON/OFF I= XX.X [A]	<i>I is the the absorbed motor current.</i>
Inv: ON/OFF Mot: ON/OFF cosphi = XXX	<i>cosphi index means the angle phi between the voltage and current absorbed by the motor</i>
Inv: ON/OFF Mot: ON/OFF P = XXXXX [W]	<i>P is the power in Watts supplied to the pump.</i>
Inv: ON/OFF Mot: ON/OFF STATUS: NORMAL Inverter Life xxxxx h : xx m Motor Life xxxxx h : xx m %f 25 50 75 100 %h XX XX XX XX XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX h : XX m	<i>NORMAL status means no alarms. If an alarm occurs, a message blinks on the display and an audible signal is activated. Pressing ENTER accesses: VASCO Solar lifetime, PUMP lifetime, consumption statistic, alarm list. To return to previous views, press ENTER.</i>

First row gives the VASCO Solar status:

- **Inv: ON XXX.X Hz** VASCO Solar is powered and is powering the motor showing its frequency.
- **Inv: ON Mot: OFF** VASCO Solar is powered but motor is not running
- **Inv: OFF Mot: OFF** VASCO Solar is not powered

If COMBO function is activated, the VASCO Solar address is placed close to indication “**Inv**”.

8.4 Menu view

Pressing ENTER when you are in [MENU' / ENT to access] in initial display, will display the following MENUS:

	MENU' Install. param.		Installer password required to enter level 1 (default 001)
	MENU' Advanced. param.		Advanced password required to enter level 2 (default 002)
	MENU' Retrive init.set		Installer password required to enter level 1 (default 001) It is possible to return to original set parameters.
	MENU' Change init.set.		Advanced password required to enter level 2 (default 002)

To exit the Menu level and return to initial display, press STOP button.

8.5 Installer parameters

Many of the Installer parameters are set during the Initial Configuration (*chapter 6.2 Initial Configuration*).

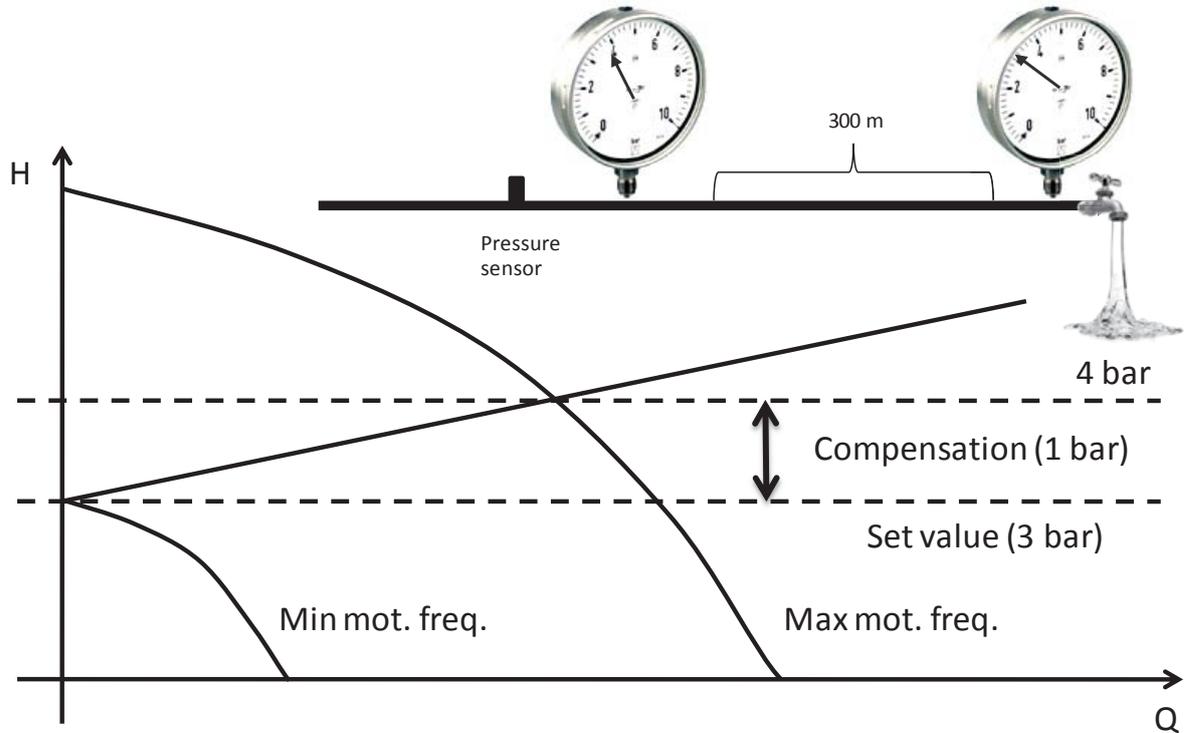
However, through the Installer Parameters menu, it is possible to change the set parameters or set others in order to perfect the calibration of VASCO Solar to the pumping system.

parameter	default	description	MPPT	Constant value	Fix speed	Const.value 2 set	Fix speed 2 val.	External speed
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> <p>Control mode</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPPT • Constant value • Fix speed • Const.value 2set • Fix speed 2 val. • External speed </div>	MPPT	<p>Mode of control:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPPT: pump speed is adjusted in order to obtain maximum power available from PV panels. • Constant value: VASCO Solar changes the speed of pump to keep the set value constant, independent of water demand. • Fix speed: VASCO Solar feeds the pump a set frequency, so the speed of motor is kept constant. • Const. value 2 set: the two values are selected by opening or closing the digital input IN2. • Fix speed 2 val: to be selected by opening or closing the digital input IN2. • External speed: control motor frequency by using analogical input AN4. 						
<p>Unit</p> <p>XXXXX</p>	bar	Unit	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<p>F. scale sensor</p> <p>p = XX.X [bar]</p>	16	Sensor full scale.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

parameter		default	description	MPPT	Constant value	Fix speed	Const.value 2 set	Fix speed 2 val.	External speed
Min value sensor p = XX.X [bar]	0	Sensor minimum value.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Max alarm value p = XX.X [bar]	10	Maximum value allowed in the system. If the readen value goes over this value, an alarm occurs and the pump is stopped. Pump is automatically restarted if the readen value goes below the maximum value for a period of at least 5 seconds.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Min alarm value p = XX.X [bar]	0	Minimum value allowed in the system. If the readen value goes lower than this value, an alarm occurs and the pump is stopped. Pump is automatically restarted if the readen value goes higher than the minimum value for a period of at least 5 seconds.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ext.set enabling ON/OFF	OFF	Enabling of set value changing by analog input AN3.		✓			✓		
Set value p = XX.X [bar]	3	The set value to be kept constant.		✓					
Compensation p = XX.X [bar]	0	Value compensation at the maximum frequency for each pump. Acting on the green button you can reverse the sign.		✓					
Set value 2 p = XX.X [bar]	3	The set value to be kept constant.					✓		
Compensation 2 p = XX.X [bar]	0	Value compensation at the maximum frequency for each pump. Acting on the green button you can reverse the sign.					✓		
Set value update t = XX [s]	5	Time to update set value for compensation.		✓			✓		

parameter	default	description	MPPT	Constant value	Fix speed	Const. value 2 set	Fix speed 2 val.	External speed
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To ensure proper operation of pressure control is recommended to place the sensor near the pump.
 To compensate the pressure loss in the pipes (proportional to flow) it is possible to vary the pressure set in a linear relation with respect to frequency.



It can perform the following test to verify the correct value of compensation:

1. install a pressure gauge away from the pressure sensor
2. open completely the valve
3. check the pressure gauge

--> Set the value of *compensation*. equal to the difference of the values from the two gauges.

When using a group of pumps, the pressure compensation to be applied to each pump is equal to the total pressure compensation (when all the pumps are running at full speed) divided by the number of pumps in the group.

Operating freq. f = XXX [Hz]	50	Set the frequency value to feed the pump.			✓			
Operating freq. 2 f = XXX [Hz]	50	Set the frequency value to feed the pump.					✓	
Freq.min.control fmin = XXX [Hz]	50	Minimum frequency below which the pump tries to stop.		✓		✓		✓
Stop delay t = XX [s]	5	Delay for which the pump tries to stop below freq.min. control.		✓		✓		✓
Control ramp t = XX [s]	20	Ramp time from freq.min.control to min.motor freq. If, during this time, the readen value goes below the (set value - delta control), VASCO		✓		✓		✓

parameter		default	description	MPPT	Constant value	Fix speed	Const. value 2 set	Fix speed 2 val.	External speed
			Solar powers the motor again; otherwise, VASCO Solar will stop the pump.						
Delta control p = XX.X [bar]		0.1	This value represents the value drop below the set value required to restart the pump during control ramp.		✓		✓		
Delta start p = XX.X [bar]		0.5	This value represents the value drop below the set value required to start the pump from stop condition.		✓		✓		
Delta stop p = XX.X [bar]		0.5	It's the value increase respect to set value which must be passed so that there is a forced shutdown of the pump.		✓		✓		
Ki XXX			Kp and Ki parameters allow the dynamic control of system by VASCO Solar; set values (Ki=50, Kp=005) are usually enough to get a valid dynamic control.	✓					
Kp XXX					✓		✓		
Pump DOL 1 ON/OFF		OFF	Function to activate (ON) the first auxiliary pump DOL 1 (Direct On Line pump).		✓		✓		
Pump DOL 2 ON/OFF		OFF	Function to activate (ON) the second auxiliary pump DOL 2 (Direct On Line pump).		✓		✓		
Alternance ON/OFF		OFF	Function to allow alternating starting priority between the DOL pumps in order to allow equal use of them.		✓		✓		

parameter	default	description	MPPT	Constant value	Fix speed	Const. value 2 set	Fix speed 2 val.	External speed
Start delay AUX t = XX [s]	1	delay time with which the pumps DOL start after the variable speed pump has reached the maximum frequency and the readen value has fallen below set value – delta control.		✓		✓		
COMBO ON/OFF	OFF	Function to enable multiple VASCO Solar's to work in parallel as described in the technical appendix (see the relevant chapter). Up to 8 VASCO Solar units can be connected in parallel. VASCO Solar's communication through RS 485 gates is granted by a private protocol.		✓		✓		
PI control Direct/Reverse	Direct	Direct: increasing measured value, VASCO Solar decreases motor frequency. Reverse: increasing measured value, VASCO Solar increase motor frequency.		✓		✓		
Rotation sense ---> / <---	--->	If, during the test, the motor runs in reverse, it is possible to change the wiring sequence via software without physically changing wires at the terminals.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dry run cosphi cosphi = X.XX	0.65	If the pump goes into dry-running, the cosphi reaches its lowest level. To set this value, contact the pump manufacturer or test by closing the suction and checking the value on the VASCO Solar display; a value can be set by assuming a dry cosphi equivalent to 60% of the rated cosphi specified by the manufacturer.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Restarts delay t = XX [min]	10	Restart delay after a dry running alarm. At each tentative (max 5) restart delay will be doubled.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Digital input 1 N.O. / N.C.	N.O.	By selecting N.A. (normally open) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 1 is open; motor will be stopped if the digital input 1 is closed. By selecting N.C. (normally closed) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 1 is closed; motor will be stopped if the digital input 1 is opened.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Digital input 2 N.O. / N.C.	N.O.	By selecting N.A. (normally open) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 2 is open; motor will be stopped if the digital input 2 is closed.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

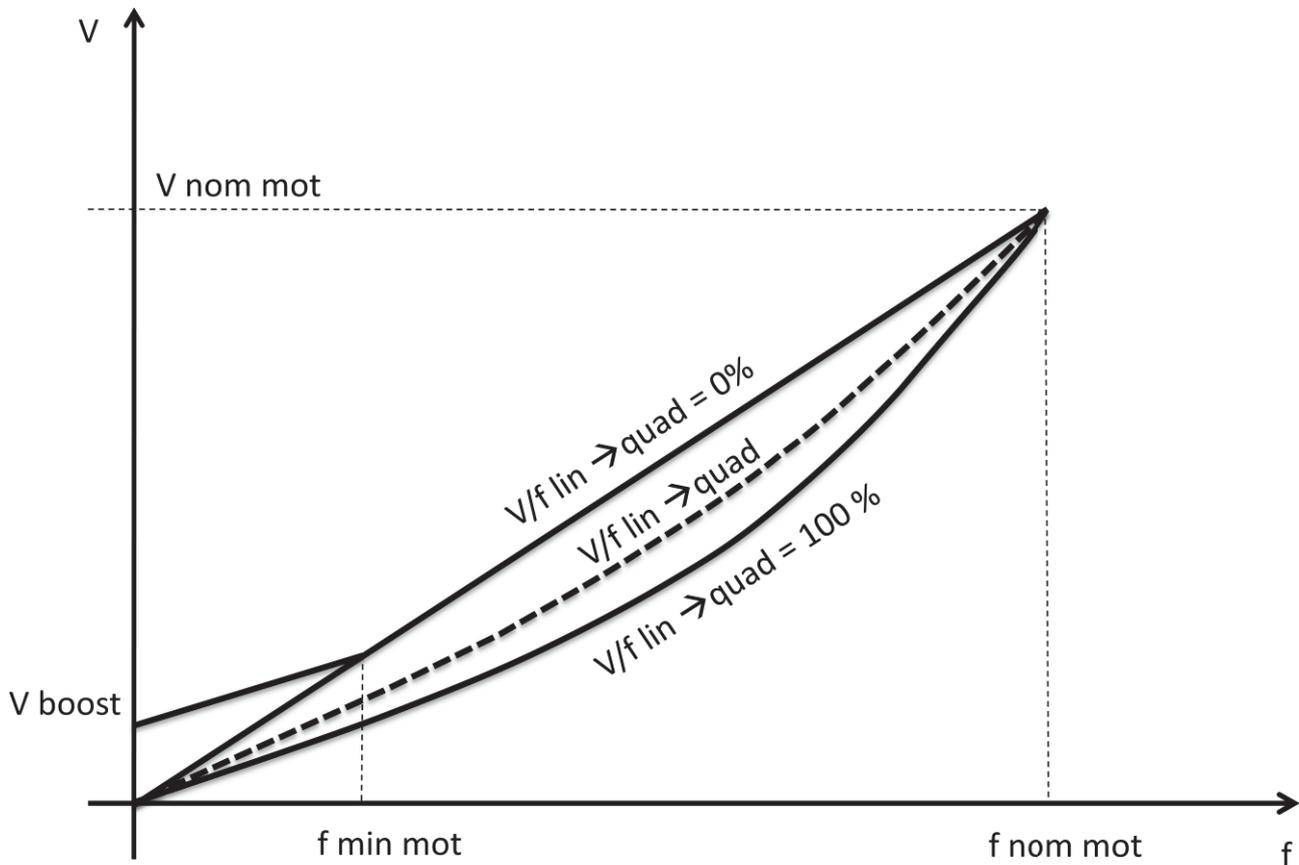
parameter	default	description	MPPT	Constant value	Fix speed	Const.value 2 set	Fix speed 2 val.	External speed
		By selecting N.C. (normally closed) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 2 is closed; motor will be stopped if the digital input 2 is opened.						
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> Digital input 3 N.O. / N.C. </div>	N.O.	<p>By selecting N.A. (normally open) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 3 is open; motor will be stopped if the digital input 3 is closed.</p> <p>By selecting N.C. (normally closed) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 3 is closed; motor will be stopped if the digital input 3 is opened.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> Digital input 4 N.O. / N.C. </div>	N.O.	<p>By selecting N.A. (normally open) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 4 is open; motor will be stopped if the digital input 4 is closed.</p> <p>By selecting N.C. (normally closed) VASCO Solar runs the motor if the digital input 4 is closed; motor will be stopped if the digital input 4 is opened.</p>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> Dig.In.2/3 delay t= XX [s] </div>	3	Digital input IN2 and IN3 delay. Digital input IN1 and IN4 have 1 second fix delay.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> Change PASSWORD1 ENT </div>		Pressing ENT allows the installer level password (1st level) (default 001) to be changed.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

8.6 Advanced parameters

All the advanced parameters, due to their importance, are already set during initial setup (*cap. 6.2 Initial Configuration*). However, it is always possible to modify individual parameters or modify the password 2:

Parameters	Default	Description
Open circuit Volt. PV V = XXX [V]	XXX	Open circuit voltage of PV strings. Please refer to PV panels datasheet.
Rated motor Volt. V = XXX [V]	XXX	Motor rated voltage (as shown in the motor plate) Average voltage drop due to the inverter is between 20 V and 30 Vrms based on load condition.
Voltage boost V = XX [%]	1%	Refers to the voltage increase during the start up of the motor. Warning: An excessive value can seriously damage the motor. Contact the motor manufacturer for further information. If a single-phase motor is used, a value of 1% is suggested to increase the starting torque.
Rated motor Amp. I = XX.X [A]	XX	Rated current of the motor per it's nameplate indication increased by 10%. The voltage drop caused by the inverter leads to higher input current than nominal. Make sure motor is capable of accepting increased current.
Rated motor freq f = XXX [Hz]	50	Rated frequency of the motor per its nameplate.
Max motor freq. f = XXX [Hz]	50	Maximum frequency of the motor. Note: by reducing the maximum frequency of the motor, maximum current will be reduced as well.
Min motor freq. f = XXX [Hz]	30	Minimum frequency of the motor. Note: depends on the selected pump type; for submersible pumps with water filled motors, is not advisable to set minimum frequency lower than 30 Hz in order to protect the integrity of the thrust bearings.
Ramp up time t = XX [sec]	4	Ramp-up time to reach the speed required to achieve the set pressure (or frequency value). Longer times delay the system reaching the preset value but better protect system components. Excessively long ramp-up times can create difficulties in VASCO Solar setup, and can also cause false overload alarms.
Ramp down time t = XX [sec]	4	Ramp-down time to reach zero speed. Longer times keep the system pressurized, while protecting the system components. Excessively long ramp-down times can create difficulties in VASCO Solar setup. Excessively short ramp-down times can cause false overload alarms.
Ramp f min mot. t = XX [sec]	1.5	Time to reach the minimum frequency of the motor and vice versa. When VASCO Solar is used to control a water filled submersible motor it's important to keep this time at 1 second.
PWM f = XX [kHz]	8	Carrier frequency (switching frequency). It is possible to chose PWM in the range of 2.5 ,4, 6, 8, 10 kHz . Higher values give a more sinusoidal wave with fewer losses. If long cables are used (>20 m / >76 ft) (submersible pump) it is recommended to install an inductive filter between VASCO Solar and the motor (available upon request) and to set the value of PWM to 2.5 kHz. This reduces the risk of voltage spikes, which can damage motor and cable insulation.

<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;"> V/f lin. --> quad. XXX % </div>	85 %	This parameter allows you to change the V / f characteristic with which VASCO Solar feeds the engine. The linear characteristic corresponds to constant torque with variable speed. The quadratic characteristic is normally used with centrifugal pumps. The selection of torque characteristic should be done ensuring a smooth operation, a reduction of energy consumption and a lower level of heat and acoustic noise. When feeding singlephase motors it's suggested to set V/f as linear (0%).
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Autorestart ON/OFF	OFF	If ON is selected, after a lack of voltage, VASCO Solar returns to its normal status; if VASCO Solar was powering the pump before the voltage drop, it resumes powering the pump automatically. <u>Warning</u> , review the advice in chapter 1.
Periodic autorun t = XX [h]	0	Pump periodic autorun after XX hours of inactivity. Value 0 makes function disabled. <u>Warning</u> , review the advice in chapter 1.
AN1,AN2 function XXXXXX	Independent	Function logic for analog input AN1,AN2.
Offset input 1 x = XX.X [%]	20%	Zero correction for analog input 1 (20 mA x 20% = 4 mA).
Offset input 2 x = XX.X [%]	20%	Zero correction for analog input 2 (20 mA x 20% = 4 mA).
Offset input 3 x = XX.X [%]	20%	Zero correction for analog input 3 (20 mA x 20% = 4 mA).

Offset input 4 x = XX.X [%]	00%	Zero correction for analog input 4 (default 0-10V) (10V x 00% = 0 V).
Change PASSWORD2 ENT		Pressing ENT allows the advanced level password (2st level) (default 002) to be changed.

9. Protections and alarms

Anytime a protection occurs a blinking message is displayed together with an audible alarm; on STATUS in the initial view, the protection is displayed; by pressing the STOP button. Only from this position (STATUS) in the initial view is it possible to try to reset the alarm; if VASCO Solar does not reset the alarm it is displayed again together an audible sound.

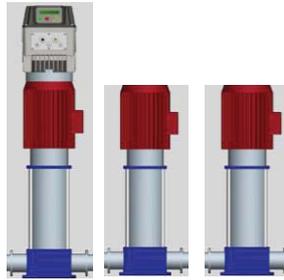
ALARM MESSAGE	ALARM DESCRIPTION	POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS
OVERCURRENT MOT.	<p>Motor overload: input current of the motor is higher than the rated motor current setting parameter.</p> <p>Motor voltage drop caused by the inverter causes the motor input current to be higher than rated. Contact motor manufacturer to check if motor is capable of accepting this current.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure that the motor current setting parameter is higher than rated. • Check other possible causes of over current
UNDER VOLTAGE	Supply voltage too low	Check possible causes of undervoltage
OVER VOLTAGE	Supply voltage too high	Check possible causes of overvoltage
OVER TEMP. INV.	Inverter over temperature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure than ambient temperature is less than 40 °C (104 °F). • Check if auxiliary cooling fan is working properly and if mounting space is adequate for proper cooling. • Reduce the PWM value (<i>Advance Parameter Menu</i>)
NO LOAD	No load	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check if load is properly connected to the VASCO Solar terminals
NO WATER (DRY RUN COSPHI)	Motor cosphi is lower than the set value of dry running cosphi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check if the pump is primed • Check the set value of dry running cosphi. Dry running cosphi is approximately 60% of the rated cosphi (at rated frequency) listed on the motor plate. <p>If pump's cosphi is lower than the set dry-running cosphi for at least 2 seconds, VASCO Solar stops the pump. VASCO Solar tries to run the pump every 10, 20, 40, 80, 160 minutes and then the pump is stopped.</p> <p>WARNING: if dry running protection occurs, VASCO Solar will try to start the pump automatically. Be sure to cut power supply to</p>

		VASCO Solar before performing any maintenance.
SENSOR FAULT	Sensor error	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the transducer • Check the wiring of transducer
MAX. VALUE ALARM	Measured value has reached the maximum value accepted by the system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check possible causes of reaching max value • Check the max alarm value setting
MIN. VALUE ALARM	Measured value has reached the lowest value accepted by the system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check possible causes reaching min value (i.e. broken pipe, open pressure relief valve, etc.) • Check the min alarm value setting.
IGBT TRIP ALARM	The current drawn by the load exceeds the capacity of VASCO Solar. VASCO Solar is still able to continue to power the load for 10 minutes with an output current of 101% of nominal and for 1 minute with an output current of 110% of nominal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the ramp-up time • Make sure that the load current is at least 10% below the VASCO Solar nominal current • Check the voltage drop along the supply cable to the motor
NO COMMUNICATION	Communication between Master and slave(s) has been interrupted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the wiring connections • Make sure the Master is not in the Menu level; if so, exit from the level. • In the STATUS of the slave (where the alarm is displayed) try to reset the alarm by pushing STOP button.
ADDRESS ERROR	Same address as other VASCO Solars in the group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The address of each VASCO Solar needs to be different
KEYBOARD FAULT	A Button on the keyboard has been pressed for more than 150 seconds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure buttons are not depressed • Call service assistance
ACTIVE DIG.IN.X	Digital input X opened /closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the input digital configuration (Installer Parameters menu)
ALARM SLAVE XX	slave XX error detected by master	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • check the status of the slave
	<p>If pumps cosphi is lower than the dry-running cosphi for at least 2 seconds, VASCO Solar will stop the pump. VASCO Solar will try to run the pump every 10, 20, 40, 80, 160 minutes and then the pump is stopped.</p> <p>ATTENTION: if dry-running protection occurs, VASCO Solar will try to start the pump automatically. Be sure to cut power supply before attempting maintenance</p> <p>VASCO Solar will stop the pump if the input motor current is higher than the set motor current for an extended time. By pressing the START button it is possible to run the pump again.</p> <p>VASCO Solar will stop the pump if the input voltage is higher than the set voltage for an extended time. By pressing the START button it is possible to run the pump again. VASCO Solar will stop the pump if the input voltage is lower than the set voltage for an extended time. By pressing the START button it is possible to run the pump again.</p>	

10. Auxiliary pumps during constant pressure control

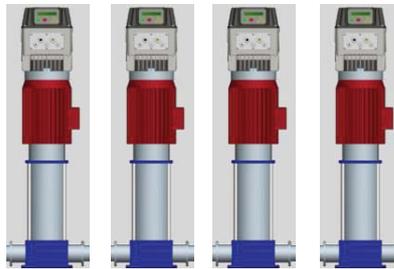
When the water needs vary considerably, it is advisable to share the water request between several pumps ensuring better efficiency and reliability.

A first method consists of a single pump driven directly by VASCO Solar and another 1 or 2 pumps directly connected to the mains DOL (Direct On Line); DOL pumps are controlled by VASCO Solar and connected to the mains through 1 or 2 contactors.

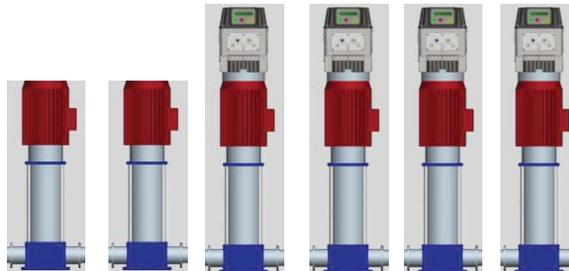


In this method, DOL pumps are not started and stopped smoothly with the corresponding increase in energy consumption and mechanical wear (startup current). Also note that DOL pumps are not protected by VASCO Solar.

A second method of sharing water demand (named COMBO mode) consists of using additional pumps in parallel (up to 8), with each one driven by a VASCO Solar.



In this method, energy consumption and reliability of the pumping system is maximized: VASCO Solar monitors and protects each pump. It is possible to assemble a booster system composed of pumps connected in COMBO mode and another 1 or 2 DOL pumps to cover additional water demand (managed only by master).



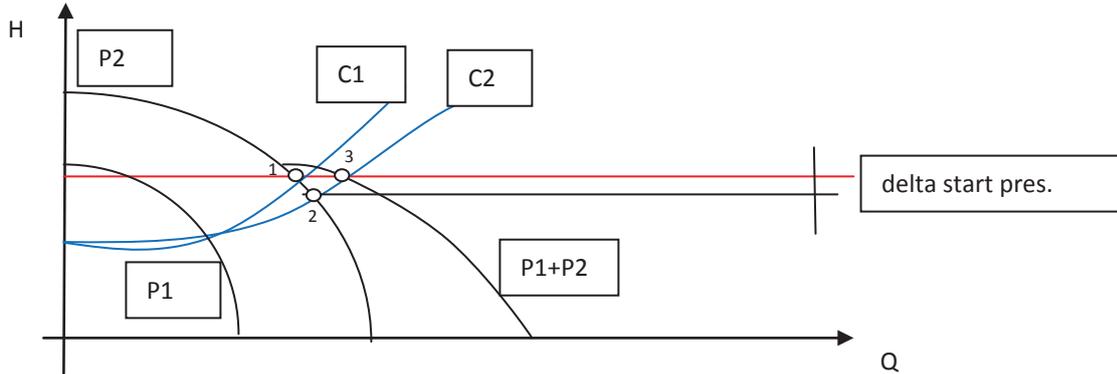
10.1 DOL pumps

Each DOL pump is switched on by a contactor controlled by the digital output DOL1 and DOL2 present in the VASCO Solar.



VASCO Solar relays driving the DOL pumps are relays with no voltage contacts. Max voltage to the contacts is 250 V, max current 5 A.

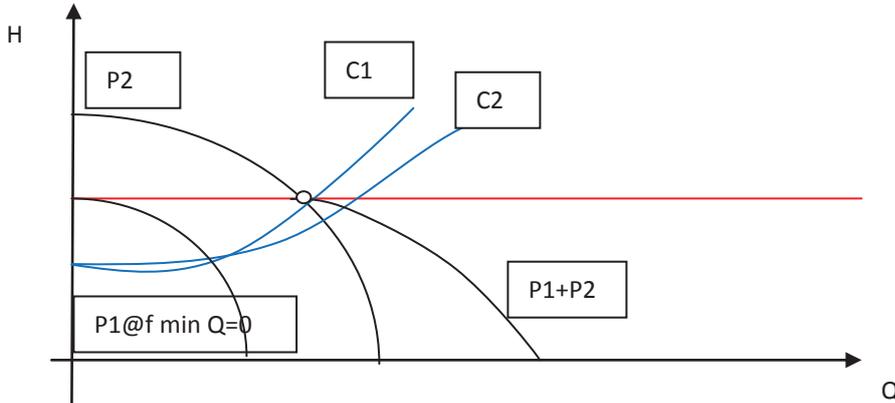
Two pumps are connected in parallel, with one pump (pump 1, P1) run by the inverter, while the second pump (pump 2, P2) is directly connected to the main power ("Direct On Line" connection). Start/Run of the second pump is controlled by the relay DOL1 (allowing a third pump to be controlled by the relay DOL2).



If pump 1 (P1) is already running to maintain the desired set pressure (red line), an additional water request changes the system curve from C1 to C2; since pump 1 (P1) is running at maximum speed, it is not possible to maintain the set pressure by increasing the speed, so the system pressure will drop till reaching the new working point 2.

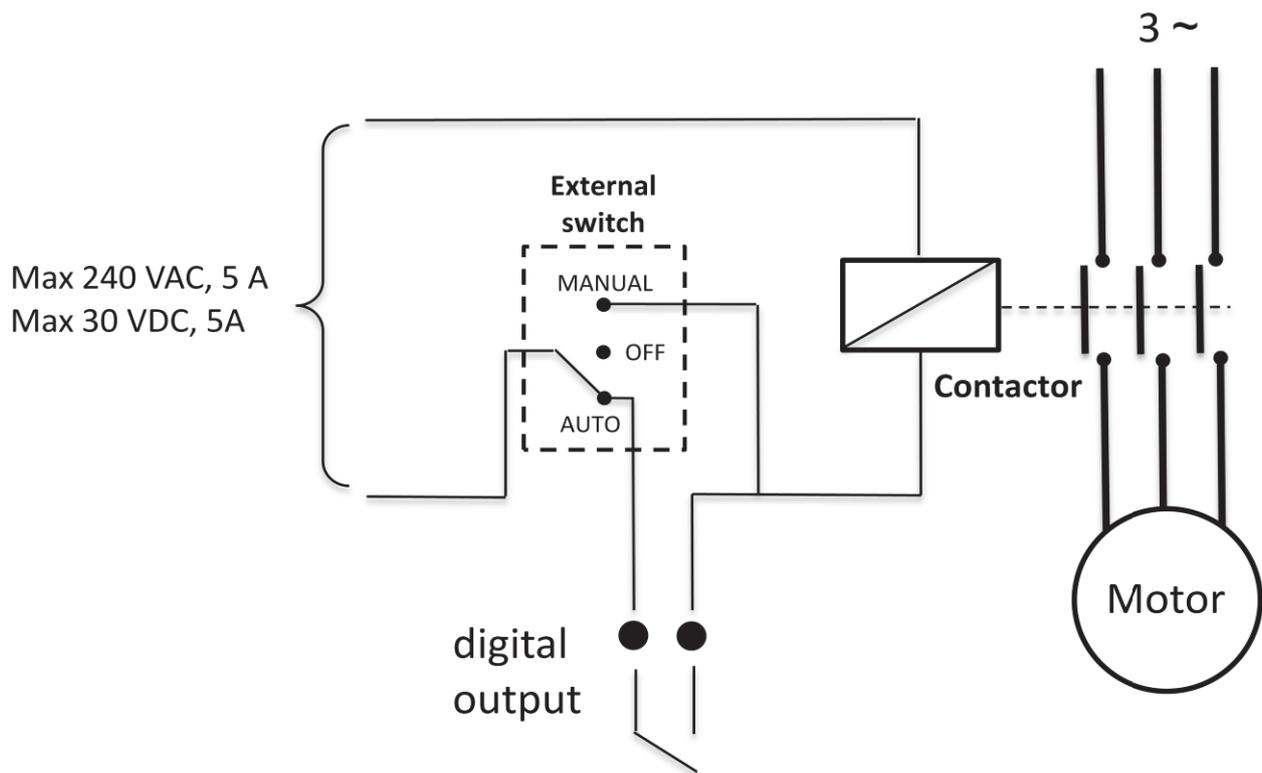
If pressure at the point 2 is (set value – delta control), VASCO Solar will run the DOL by relay DOL1. The DOL pump will run at its nominal speed while the pump 1 will drop its speed equal to the P1 pattern to maintain set pressure.

If water demands decreases, returning to the system curve C1, pump 1 will reduce the pump speed to maintain constant pressure in the system. When pump 1 reaches a frequency equivalent to the minimum frequency, while still maintaining set pressure, the DOL pump will be switched off and pump 1 will increase the speed to maintain the p_{set} in the system.



If two pumps are connected in parallel, the first driven by VASCO Solar and the second with a DOL connection, it is necessary to make sure that the value "delta control" will be sufficiently high to ensure the first pump, once the DOL pump is switched on, will reach a frequency higher than its minimum frequency value.

By proper setting of the minimum frequency, excessive pump ON/OFF cycling is avoided, thus preventing damage to the DOL pump.



10.2 COMBO function

In the “Installer parameters” menu it is possible to enable the COMBO function that allows serial communication between up to 8 VASCO Solars, each one connected to a pump. The operating principle (switch on/off) of pumps is similar to as stated in chapter 8.1.

To achieve the COMBO function in a system consisting of several interconnected VASCO Solars, use a pressure sensor connected to each VASCO Solar. The value of the *set pressure* is communicated to the slaves via the serial port.

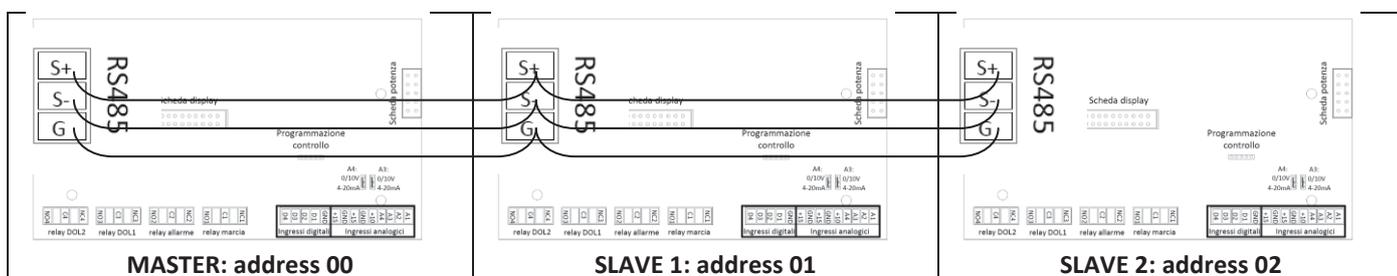
To prevent the shutdown of the system due to pressure sensor failure, connecting a 2nd pressure sensor to the VASCO Solar; make sure that the two pressure sensors are identical.

Remember to perform the offset operation of the sensors in each VASCO Solar (Installer Parameters menu) .

As a further help, you can connect another two DOL pumps to the VASCO Solar Master to cover additional water demand; they will be operated only when all the COMBO pumps are already in operation.

RS485 serial connection

VASCO Solar’s communication is made through a private protocol using the RS485 port. Each VASCO Solar must be connected to each other by using a tripolar cable (0,5 mm²) wired on S+,S-,G pins on control board.



Master setup

1. Supply power to the VASCO Solar master.
2. If not yet completed, perform the initial configuration as described on chapter 6.2
3. Initial view is shown:

Inv: ON/OFF Mot: ON/OFF
p_mis=XX.X [bar]

4. Scroll until:

Menù
ENT to access

5. Press ENT

MENU'
Param. install.

6. Press ENT

7. Insert password (default 001).

8. Scroll until:

Combo
ON/OFF

9. Set ON

10. Set:

Address XX	00	VASCO Solar's address in parallel operation. • 00 : VASCO Solar master
Alternance ON/OFF	OFF	Function to allow alternating between the VASCO Solars connected in parallel in order to allow equal use of each pump in the group; in this way Master will reorganize the starting priority of the pumps by checking the life of each of them.
Start delay AUX t = XX [s]	0	Delay time with which the slaves start after the variable speed pump has reached the maximum frequency and the pressure value has fallen below set value – delta control

11. Press STOP (red button)

12. Press STOP again

Slave setup

Follow Master setup until point 11.

In case of failure of master in a Combo system, will be replaced by slave. As a consequence, all parameters must be setup independently on each inverter, master mode.

1. Set:

Address XX	VASCO Solar's address in parallel operation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 01 --> 07: VASCO Solar slaves
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2. Press STOP (red button).
3. In the *advanced parameters* verify that *Autorestart* is set *ON*.
4. Press STOP (red button).
5. Press STOP again.

Whenever the user accesses the Menu screen of the VASCO Solar master, the communication between VASCO Solars is automatically interrupted.

In case of alarm or failure of a pump in a Combo system, this pump's operation will be replaced (temporary or permanently) by another pump.

In case of failure of master in a Combo system, it will be replaced by the next slave after about 1 minute. In order to enable master replacement Autorestart must be set ON in each slaves.

11. Trouble-shooting chart

LCD does not switch on after powering the VASCO Solar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the connecting flat cable between the LCD board (attached to the cover) and the control board • Check the fuses • Check that the power cables are properly connected.
Power line of VASCO Solar is interrupted by the differential protection contactor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the leakage current to ground of EMC filter • Following a rapid off/on the power supply, the differential contactor can interrupt the power. After turning off the VASCO Solar it is recommended to wait at least 1 minute before restarting.
When performing sensor test operation, SENSOR OFF alarm occurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check that the sensor cable is properly connected to the sensor device and to the VASCO Solar. • Make sure that the sensor and its cable are not damaged. • Check that the operating range of sensor is of 4 -20 mA type and the value of 15 V is within the voltage feed range of the sensor.
Frequency and pressure oscillation on constant pressure control mode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check if the water tank and its air pressure are correctly set. It may be necessary to increase the tank volume or reduce the pre-charge pressure. • Check the ki & kp parameters (Installer Parameters menu). At first, it is suggestable to increase the Ki value. If it not enough reduce of one unit the Kp value.
DOL pump stops and starts continuously	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase <i>delta control</i>. • Check to see if the water tank and it's air pressure are correctly set. It may be necessary to increase the tank volume or reduce the pre-charge pressure.
Measured pressure drops too much before VASCO Solar starts the pump.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decrease the delta start value (Installer Parameters menu) . • Check to see if the water tank and it's air pressure are correctly set. It may be necessary to increase the tank volume or reduce the pre-charge pressure. • Modify the value of ki & kp parameters (Installer Parameters menu). At first, it is suggestable to reduce the Ki value. If it is not enough increase of one unit the Kp value.

12. Technical Assistance

For more technical information contact the authorized reseller providing the following information. The solution to the problem will be found faster and easier if full information is provided.

Model/Serial Code	LCD version (shown when VASCO Solar is power supplied) LCD = _._	INV version (shown when VASCO Solar is power supplied) INV = _._	
Line Voltage: ___ [V]	Line Frequency: <input type="checkbox"/> 50 Hz <input type="checkbox"/> 60 Hz		
description of problem:			
installation type:	<input type="checkbox"/> wall mounted	<input type="checkbox"/> on motor fan cover	
motor type:	<input type="checkbox"/> single phase <input type="checkbox"/> submersible	<input type="checkbox"/> three phase <input type="checkbox"/> surface	
if submersible: cable lenght [m]: _____		if sommersible: cable section [mm ²]: _____	
P2 motor [kW]: _____	rated motor Volt [V]: _____	rated motor Amp [A]: _____	rated motor Hz: _____
if single phase: capacitor _____ [UF]	if singlephase: starting Amp I st = _____ [A]	pump performances Q = _____ [l/min] H = _____ [m]	
tank volume: _____ [liters]		precharge pressure: _____ [bar]	
number of DOL pumps: _____		number of COMBO pumps: _____	
medium ambient temperature: _____ [°C]	pressure sensor 4 mA = _____ [bar] 20 mA = _____ [bar]		
digital inputs used:		digital ouputs used:	
electric and hydraulic scheme of the system (more detailed as possible)			
set parameters: please fill the instal. param. and adv. param columns in the software scheme.			

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