Unit 3 – Inverters: Components



Figure 1 - MJ500 Inverter

Inverters like this have a **robust aluminium heatsink body**, which provides passive cooling. This design enhances heat dissipation during operation, preventing overheating and ensuring longevity.



Figure 2 - Inverter Front Side

The inverter front side features a main power switch (ON/OFF), an LED indicator panel, and a universal AC outlet.

- **Switch:** Activates the inverter, powering up the AC output.
- LED Indicators:
 - o Power (Green): Indicates normal operation.
 - o Fault (Red): Signals an issue, such as over-voltage or overheating.
- **AC Outlet:** Provides standard 230V AC output for connecting devices like laptops, fans, or small appliances.

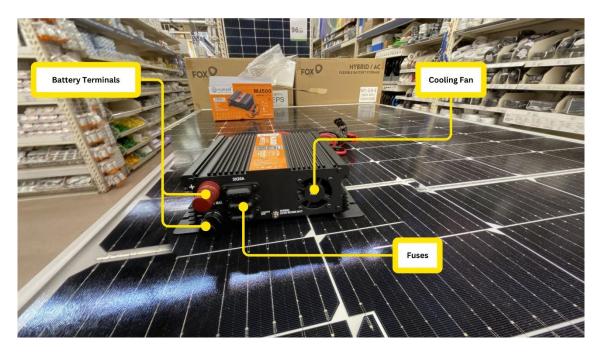


Figure 3 - Inverter Back Side

The back side includes **battery connection terminals** (positive/red and negative/black), an integrated **cooling fan**, and **fuse holders** for additional protection.

- **Battery Terminals:** Securely connect to a 12V battery source. It's crucial to match the polarity to avoid damage.
- Cooling Fan: Activates during high power loads to prevent overheating.
- Fuses: Protect the inverter from short circuits or excessive currents.

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