THEORY OF NAV-PAC OPERATION

NOISE FILTER / VOLTAGE TRANSIENT PROTECTOR WITH BATTERY BACK-UP

The NAV-PAC is wired in series with the DC power to sensitive electronics and:

(1) Filters out noise interference on incoming power lines.
(2) Clamps voltage spikes and transients to a safe level.
(3) Provides battery back-up power during voltage drops due to starter motors and momentary losses of power.

SPECIFICATIONS

INPUT:  12 VDC, Nominal Charging: 13.8-14.4 VDC,
To Prevent Discharge: 13.4 -14.4 VDC, Maximum: 15.5 VDC

OUTPUT: Filtered, Voltage Spike Protected With Back-Up Battery 20 amps Max.

BACK-UP POWER: 12.0 VDC Nominal
5.0 AH Capacity
7 amps for Fifteen (15) Minutes
10 amps for Eight (8) Minutes
15 amps for Two (2) Minutes
20 amps for One (1) Minute

BATTERY: Sealed Rechargeable 5.0 AH, 5-7 Years Typical Life - Replaceable

FILTERING: Audio Through 200 MHz

VOLTAGE SPIKE PROTECTION: Transient Energy Capability; 100 Joules, 4,000 amps Max

OPERATING TEMPERATURE: 0-50 °C

SIZE-WEIGHT

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## FEATURES

- **Back-Up Battery** maintains DC output voltage during dips and black-outs — prevents memory loss and system crashing in GPS, MDTs, and other critical electronics.
- **Multi-Stage Filter** eliminates electronic noise and interferences, providing pure power navigation electronics require.
- **Overvoltage Transient Protection** prevents damage to sensitive circuitry due to voltage line spikes.
- **Low Voltage and Timed Disconnect Circuits** protect internal battery against shortened life or damage due to excessive discharge.
- **Maintenance-Free Solid State Circuitry** assures years of dependable service.
- **Conformal Coated Printed Circuit Board** resists corrosion.
- **Rugged, Rust and Corrosion-Proof Vinyl Laminated Aluminum Case** provides protection for components.
- **All Components** selected for dependable performance in the most hostile environments.
- **Each Unit** thoroughly tested and inspected before shipment.
- **Two Year Limited Warranty**.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The NAV-PAC protects electronics from voltage spikes, power surges, momentary power losses, abrupt voltage changes and noise interference on incoming DC power to MDTs, GPS and other onboard electronics prone to memory loss or “crashes”.

NAV-PAC is a solid state device which provides “pure” power to navigation electronics by performing several essential functions.

1. **Voltage Spike Protection**: Engine cranking, pump and motor operation send voltage “spikes” through a boat’s electrical system that often “bulldoze” their way through the electronic circuitry. NAV-PAC eliminates this ruinous condition.

2. **R.F. Noise Filtering**: The NEWMAR NAV-PAC contains a four-element low-pass LC filter which provides very high radio frequency attenuation in both positive and negative power leads to the receiver preventing noise from adversely affecting signal reception and related operation.

3. **Back-Up Power**: A special long-life, completely sealed “Dry Battery” pack is built-in the NAV-PAC which acts a power reservoir and is charged from the shipboard 12 Volt power. In the event of a drop in DC voltage due to engine cranking or total power interruption, the battery will maintain power to navigation equipment for a short period of time. This is essential for preventing memory and data loss.

4. **Timed Disconnect Circuit**: This circuit prevents damage to the internal battery from extreme discharge by disconnecting the NAV-PAC battery approximately 15 minutes after abrupt drop or complete loss of DC input.

5. **Low Battery Disconnect Circuit**: This circuit prevents damage to the internal battery from extreme discharge by disconnecting the battery whenever battery voltage reaches 10.2 VDC.
**MATERIALS PROVIDED**

Your NAV-PAC comes with the following materials:

- (4) #8 ring lugs for 12-10 gauge wire
- (1) Installation/Operation Manual

Check to see that these have been included with the packaging. For any missing items, please contact the factory.

**INSTALLATION**

1) After you have determined the best location in the system, locate a flat surface close to the power line that feeds the GPS or MDT. For best results the NAV-PAC unit should be within 24" of the critical electronics. The case need not be grounded, so it is acceptable to mount the unit on wood or metal. Securely mount the NAV-PAC.

   Turn off power to the wires that will be cut or worked on by disconnecting the battery or shutting off the appropriate circuit. Identify the positive and negative lead in the power line and cut at an appropriate location. Use the lugs supplied to hook up the NAV-PAC to your system.

2) Using the table below, select the proper wire size for your installation:

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*Current draw of NAV equipment being powered.*

Replace terminal block cover to prevent accidental shorting of the terminals.

**OPERATION**

In the event of a loss of DC input to the NAV-PAC, the navigation equipment is being powered by the NAV-PAC’s internal battery only. The timed battery disconnect circuit will initiate. After approximately 15 minutes the NAV-PAC’s internal battery will automatically disconnect from the NAV-PAC’s output. This is to protect the battery discharge if the input is switched off. To reset this circuit input to the NAV-PAC must be restored.

Bear in mind that the NAV-PAC has another disconnect circuit which may cause it to shut down sooner. The battery is also protected by a low-voltage disconnect circuit. Should the current draw of the device being powered cause the battery voltage to drop to 10.2 VDC before 15 minutes have passed, then this circuit...
Caution: Take care to ensure that you do not short the battery terminals during installation. The resulting high current can melt wires and cause other damage to the unit.

1. Turn off power to the input wiring and disconnect all input and output connections to the NAV-PAC. Remove the unit from the mounting surface.
2. Remove the fuse from the fuseholder labeled “BATTERY” on the front panel.
3. Remove the four screws on the top of the unit and the four screws on either side of the unit.
4. Remove the cover.
5. Disconnect the battery terminals.
6. Remove the four screw / washer sets that are securing the battery hold-down bracket.
7. Slide the battery and bracket out from under the PCB.
8. Slide the new battery and bracket into the NAV-PAC and reverse all above procedures.

Dispose of the old battery properly and according to local codes. Although the battery is sealed, it is a lead-acid type and there may be restrictions on its disposal.

**BATTERY REPLACEMENT PROCEEDS AS FOLLOWS:**

**CAUTION:** DO NOT LEAVE THE BATTERY DISCHARGED FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME. IT MAY BE PERMANENTLY DAMAGED AND MAY NOT TAKE A RECHARGE.

The battery requires no maintenance and is completely sealed. Battery life is up to five years. To charge the battery requires an input voltage of 13.8 to 14.8 VDC for 3-4 hours or more per month. To prevent discharging requires a nominal input of 13.4 - 14.4 VDC. These voltages are normally produced by an engine alternator or good quality marine battery charger.

The battery storage time @ 23°C is 400 days. The battery should be replaced no less frequently than every five (5) years to guarantee proper operation of the NAV-PAC. (Request part #425-1204-0 )

To determine the age of the battery in your NAV-PAC, check the quality control sticker on the end of the unit. The first four digits of the serial number (designated "S/N") refer to the year and month of manufacture. For instance, a unit with a serial number starting "0335") was manufactured the 35th week of 2003. Be sure to mark the date of replacement on this sticker for future reference.

**TEST / TROUBLESHOOTING**

To test the battery operation, disconnect the input power at the source or remove the input fuse, and, using a voltmeter, note that DC output power is still present on the output terminals. Note that after approximately 15 minutes the output will disconnect automatically to protect the internal battery. You should then measure no voltage on the output terminals. To reset this timed circuit, reconnect the NAV-PAC input to the ship’s battery.

The noise filtering and spike protection circuitry won’t require testing unless the NAV-PAC blows fuses repeatedly, or has had a nearby lightning strike, or other very high energy transient.

If the NAV-PAC blow fuses repeatedly (replace with 20 Amp Fast Acting Fuse: ABC-20), this usually indicates a shorted component. Have a qualified technician perform the repairs or return the unit to NEWMAR for factory inspection.

Always verify that the replaced fuses are of the correct rating. Use standard or fast-blow fuses. Do not use slow-blow fuses.