

## SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC CONTRACTUAL WARRANTY

**This Schneider Electric Contractual Warranty applies to the following products:**

- Freedom SW inverter charger  
Models: 815-2012, 815-2012-01, 815-2024, 815-3012, 815-3012-01, 815-3024, 815-2524-02, 815-3524-02

**Geographic Validity:**

- United States of America and Canada

**Length of Warranty:**

- 2 years, unless local law requires a longer period in which case it will be that period of time

“**Schneider Electric**” means the local legal entity of Schneider Electric that you purchased directly or indirectly the products from.

“**Product**” means the Schneider Electric, Xantrex or related branded inverter or charger product ( or other related device as identified above ) that you purchased from Schneider Electric or through an authorized reseller or retailer.

### 1. Warranty Claims

This Contractual Warranty is provided by Schneider Electric and covers defects in workmanship and materials in your Product. This warranty period lasts from the date of purchase at the point of sale to you, the original end user, unless otherwise agreed in writing (the "Warranty Period"). This Contractual Warranty is transferable to subsequent owners but only for the unexpired portion of the Warranty Period.

### 2. Warranty Coverage

If a product becomes defective within the Schneider Electric contractual warranty period, one of the following options, as selected by Schneider Electric, will be performed at no charge for materials or labor costs, unless this should be impossible or disproportionate. It is mandatory that customer notify Schneider Electric of the Product defect within the Warranty Period, and provided that Schneider Electric, or designated service partner, through inspection establishes the existence of such a defect and that it is covered by this Contractual Warranty:

- Repairing the product onsite,
- Repairing the product at Schneider Electric, or designated repair facility, or
- Exchange the Product with a Replacement Product (of equivalent value according to model and age)

Alternatively, at Schneider Electric's sole discretion, cash compensation equal to the Product's residual value may be offered<sup>1</sup>.

The term “disproportionate” applies in particular if the costs to Schneider Electric were deemed unreasonable according to the following criteria:

- With reference to the value the product would have without the defect
- Taking into account the significance of the defect, and
- After consideration of alternative workaround possibilities available to the customer without significant inconvenience

If Schneider Electric, or designated service partner, repairs or replaces a Product, its warranty continues for the remaining portion of the original Warranty Period or 90 days from the date of the return shipment to the customer, whichever is greater. All replaced Products and all parts removed from repaired Products become the property of Schneider Electric.

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<sup>1</sup> as determined by annual linear method

### 3. Warranty Limitations

This Contractual Warranty does not warrant uninterrupted or error-free operation of the Product or cover normal wear and tear of the Product or costs related to the removal, installation, or troubleshooting of the customer's electrical systems. The warranty claims that relate to defects caused by any of the following factors are not covered by the Contractual Warranty:

- Improper Use or Non-compliance with installation, commissioning, operation or maintenance instructions (i.e. not according to the operation & installation manual)
- Unauthorized modifications, changes or attempted repairs,
- Vandalism, destruction through external influence and/or persons/animals
- Use in an unsuitable environment, including any environment or location that causes excessive wear and tear or dirt or dust or debris buildup within the system or that is difficult or unsafe for Schneider Electric representatives to access
- Insufficient ventilation
- Installation in a corrosive environment
- Failure to observe applicable safety standards & regulations
- Damages during transportation or storage
- Force majeure, examples include, but not limited to: fire, flood, earthquakes, storm damage, overvoltage & lightning strikes
- Exposure to fire, water, snow, moisture, or liquid ingress (except for any such exposure to environmental conditions that your Product was specifically designed to withstand as indicated in the applicable specifications for your Product)
- Used as a component part of a product expressly warranted by another manufacturer
- If the original identification (trade-mark, serial number) markings have been defaced, altered, or removed
- Consumable components of any type are not covered, including but not limited to fans, fuses and filters etc.
- Cosmetic shortcoming which do not impair the use of the product for the intended purpose i.e. supply of energy

Warranty claims also exclude:

- Damages arising due to the fact that the use of the product for the intended purpose is no longer possible or only possible with restrictions as a result of amendments to the statutory provisions applicable to the operation of the product made after the delivery of the product
- Compensation for damages related to loss of power production or business operation or any expenses incurred by customer towards repair & replacement of the product (including but not limited to labor, transportation, temporary power)
- Cost arising from changes to existing PV systems or building installations or vehicle or marine vessel installation and like
- Additional costs and expenses (i.e. shipping costs, travel, accommodation, meals, etc.) arising due to remote locations of the indicated geographies, including but not limited to islands and overseas territories

### 4. Warranty Return and Repair Process

Contact Schneider Electric Xantrex Customer Service representative with brief description of the error to evaluate & troubleshoot the issue while product is in the field as many problems can be solved on site.

Please contact Schneider Electric Xantrex customer service via email at [customerservice@xantrex.com](mailto:customerservice@xantrex.com) or call Xantrex customer service at 1-800-670-0707 or visit our website at:

<http://www.xantrex.com>

#### i. Return Material Authorization (RMA)

After attempts to correct the problem with customer's assistance, if the Product must be returned to Schneider Electric or designated service partner for replacement or repair, the customer must return it to the original place of purchase or obtain a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number and the correct return center "Ship To" address. Product shipments will be refused and returned at your expense if they are unauthorized or returned without an RMA number clearly marked on the outside of the shipping box or if they are shipped collect or if they are shipped to the wrong location.

When you contact Schneider Electric to obtain service, please have your instruction manual ready for reference and be prepared to supply:

- The serial number and product code of your Product
- Information about the installation or inspection certificate
- Information about the failure and/or reason for the return
- A copy of your dated proof of purchase

**Schneider Electric reserves the right to refuse exchange requests for lack of proper documentation and information.**

**ii. Once the RMA has been issued for exchange**

Schneider Electric will generally ship an equivalent replacement Product to the specified customer or the distributor location within 48-72 hours.

The allegedly defective product must be returned to Schneider Electric in the same transport packaging that the replacement unit was provided in. Schneider Electric will supply all labels and documentation for the return of the defective Product. The defective Product must be shipped back to Schneider Electric within 10 working days after receiving the replacement product. If we do not receive the product within this timeframe, the unit cost will be billed back to the customer (including shipping and handling fees).

**iii. Once an RMA has been issued for repair**

Schneider Electric will arrange for the repair of the Product on-site or at a repair facility.

The allegedly defective Product being returned for repair at Schneider Electric, or designated service partner, must be packaged in a suitable manner to prevent damage during transportation (equivalent to original packaging or better). Schneider Electric will provide the necessary instructions to correctly ship the Product (including designated freight carrier, documentation information, address, etc.) to the repair facility.

Standard ground shipping costs are covered by Schneider Electric both ways. Any expedited shipping costs will be the responsibility of the customer and billed accordingly.

Visually evident damage caused by shipping or mishandling is to be reported to the freight carrier within 24 hours. Shipping damage is the responsibility of the freight carrier, not Schneider Electric, and should always be duly noted with the freight carrier prior to accepting and signing for the Product

Any Products that are damaged during the returned shipping process are not covered by this warranty. Schneider Electric assumes no liability for this damage.

## **5. Service Reimbursement**

Schneider Electric in its sole discretion may offer a service reimbursement for the services of a qualified installer performing specific Product replacement and re-commissioning under the terms of this warranty. Please contact your local Schneider Electric office for details and application related to your Product.

## **6. Invalid Warranty Claim**

If the returned defective Product to Schneider Electric (or service partner) pursuant to this Policy, and is found by Schneider Electric to be free of defects that would qualify it for repair or replacement under this Policy, Schneider Electric may charge a flat-rate inspection charge for each product of \$250 USD, plus shipping and packaging costs. In the event the defect free unit is returned to the customer then to also charge for the replacement unit.

## **7. Out of Warranty Service**

If the warranty period for your Product has expired, if the unit was damaged by misuse or incorrect installation, if other conditions of the warranty have not been met, or if no dated proof of purchase is available, your unit may be serviced or replaced for a flat fee, as determined by Schneider Electric in its sole discretion.

Please contact your local Schneider Electric office to determine if out of warranty service is available for your Product.

To return your product for out of warranty service, contact Schneider Electric Customer Service for a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number and follow the other steps outlined in "Return Procedure".

Payment options such as credit card or money order will be explained by the Customer Service Representative. In cases where the minimum flat fee does not apply, as with incomplete units or units with excessive damage, an additional fee will be charged. If applicable, you will be contacted by Customer Service once your unit has been received.

## **8. Disclaimer of Implied and Other Warranties and Limitation of Liability**

THIS CONTRACTUAL WARRANTY IS THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE WARRANTY PROVIDED BY SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC PRODUCT AND IS, WHERE PERMITTED BY LAW, IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, CONDITIONS, GUARANTEES, REPRESENTATIONS, OBLIGATIONS AND LIABILITIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, STATUTORY OR OTHERWISE IN CONNECTION WITH THE PRODUCT, HOWEVER ARISING (WHETHER BY CONTRACT, TORT, NEGLIGENCE, PRINCIPLES OF MANUFACTURER'S LIABILITY, OPERATION OF LAW, CONDUCT, STATEMENT OR OTHERWISE), INCLUDING WITHOUT RESTRICTION ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OR CONDITION OF QUALITY, MERCHANTABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

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### **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

**WHERE APPLICABLE LAW ALLOWS AND DOES NOT PROHIBIT OR RESTRICT SUCH LIMITATION, SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC'S LIABILITY FOR ANYTHING RELATING TO THIS PRODUCT, SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE PRICE PAID FOR THE PRODUCT**

IN NO EVENT WILL SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC BE LIABLE FOR: (A) ANY SPECIAL, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING LOST PROFITS, LOST REVENUES, FAILURE TO REALIZE EXPECTED SAVINGS, OR OTHER COMMERCIAL OR ECONOMIC LOSSES OF ANY KIND, EVEN IF SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC HAS BEEN ADVISED, OR HAD REASON TO KNOW, OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGE; (B) ANY LIABILITY ARISING IN TORT, WHETHER OR NOT ARISING OUT OF SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC'S NEGLIGENCE, AND ALL LOSSES OR DAMAGES TO ANY PROPERTY OR FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY OR ECONOMIC LOSS OR DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE CONNECTION OF A PRODUCT TO ANY OTHER PRODUCT OR SYSTEM; AND (C) ANY DAMAGE OR INJURY ARISING FROM OR AS A RESULT OF MISUSE OR ABUSE, OR THE INCORRECT INSTALLATION, INTEGRATION OR OPERATION OF THE PRODUCT BY PERSONS NOT AUTHORIZED BY SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC.

### **Exclusions**

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