

## ZigBee Plug-in Installation Guide

For Inverters with SetApp Configuration

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## **Revision History**

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- Model and serial number of the product in question.
- The error indicated on the inverter SetApp mobile application or on the monitoring platform or by the LEDs, if there is such an indication.
- System configuration information, including the type and number of modules connected and the number and length of strings.
  - The communication method to the SolarEdge server, if the site is connected.
  - The software version as appears in the status screen.



## About This Guide

This guide explains how to install and configure the ZigBee Plug-in to manage your Smart Energy devices.

This guide is intended for Photovoltaic (PV) system owners, installers, technicians, maintainers, and integrators who use the SolarEdge power harvesting system.

This guide assumes that the SolarEdge power harvesting system is already installed and commissioned. For additional information about how to install and commission the SolarEdge power harvesting system, refer to the relevant installation guide.

For further information, datasheets and the most up-to-date certifications for various products in different countries, please visit the SolarEdge website: www.solaredge.com.

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## Overview

ZigBee is a technology that enables wireless connection between several SolarEdge devices.

Smart Energy uses the ZigBee Home Automation protocol with up to 10 devices connected to a SolarEdge inverter that serves as a Smart Energy manager.

Smart Energy devices include:

- Smart Energy Hot Water
- Smart Energy Socket
- Smart Energy Switch
- Smart Energy Relay

For more information on how to add a device to your Smart Energy network, see the installation manual that comes with the device or go to:

https://www.solaredge.com/products/devicecontrol#/





#### Package Contents

The package contains the following items. Other items may be included, if necessary.



- 🖉 Antenna
- This installation guide

#### WARNING!

When installing the ZigBee Plug-in, follow the safety instructions of the inverter.



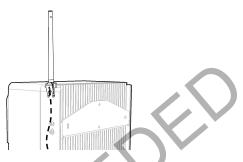
## Installing the Antenna

There are two ways to install an antenna for ZigBee communication:

- Clipping the antenna to the inverter
- Installing the antenna on a vertical surface using a bracket (not provided by SolarEdge).

## Clipping the Antenna to the Inverter

- 1. Power off the inverter:
  - a. Switch the inverter ON/OFF/P switch to OFF. Wait 5 minutes for the capacitors to discharge.
  - b. Turn the Safety Switch (if applicable) to OFF.
  - c. Disconnect the AC to the inverter by turning off the circuit breakers on the distribution panel.
- 2. Clip the antenna vertically to the heatsink fins or the inverter side.



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Figure 1: Antenna mounted on the inverter

- 3. Pass the antenna cable between the mounting bracket and the rear side of the inverter or along the heatsink fins.
- 4. Open the communication gland at the bottom of the inverter.
- 5. Remove the rubber seal from the gland and insert the cable through the gland.
- 6. Insert the rubber seal with the cable into the gland body and reconnect the gland to the inverter. Tighten the sealing gland.



# Connecting the Antenna to a Vertical Surface using a Bracket

For connecting the antenna to a vertical surface, use a bracket with the following recommended dimensions (not supplied by SolarEdge):

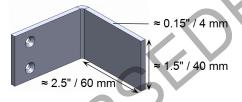


Figure 2: Example of an antenna bracket

- 1. Drill two holes in the surface and attach the bracket to it with two screws.
- 2. Clip the antenna onto the bracket. Make sure the antenna is positioned vertically.

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## Installing the ZigBee Plug-in

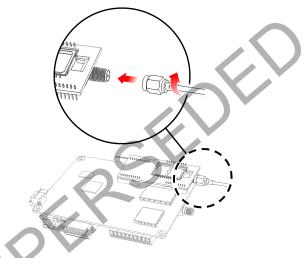
- 1. Make sure the inverter is powered off.
- 2. Remove the inverter cover as explained in the inverter installation manual.
- 3. Install the ZigBee Plug-in on the communication board as shown below.

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4. Connect the antenna cable to the ZigBee Plug-in and tighten the connector.

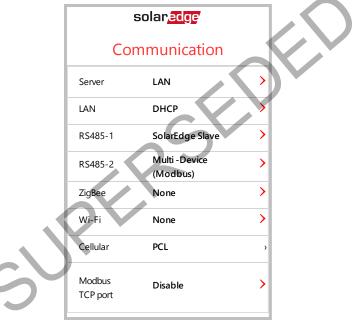


Close the inverter cover as explained in the inverter
installation manual.



## **Configuring Communication**

 Access SetApp and select Commissioning → Communication.



2. From the Communication screen, select the following:

ZigBee  $\rightarrow$  Protocol  $\rightarrow$  Home Automation.



#### **Appendix A: Technical Specifications**

Performance			
	North America	Worldwide	Unit
Transmit power	22.8	11.8	dBm
Receiver sensitivity	-102		dBm
EIRP with antenna	27.8	16.8	dBm
Outdoor (LOS) range*	400/1300		m/ft
Indoor range*	50/160		m/ft
Operating frequency range	2.4 - 2.5		GHz
Maximum emitted power	≤ 30	≤ 20	dBm
Bandwidth	2		MHz
Modulation	O-QPSK with DSSS coding		
Antenna gain	5		dBi
Dimensions 78		78x32/3x1.3	
Certification			
Regulatory approvals		), IC (Canada Tick (Austral (Japan)	

\* Approximate values, may differ depending on specific installation conditions

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