



# CRYSTALLINE SILICON PV MODULE INSTALLATION GUIDE



## 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose

This document provides detailed instructions and valuable safety information regarding the installation, electrical connection and maintenance of the JINNENG CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY LTD (Hereinafter referred to as " JINERGY ") Crystalline Photovoltaic modules, involved module series are as follow Table 1:

Cell Size	Module Type	Power(W)
	JNMM144	530/535/540/545/550/555
182	JNMM120	435/440/445/450/455/460
	JNMM108	390/395/400/405/410/415

Table 1

All instructions and mechanical and electrical requirements should be read and understood before attempting installation.

The installer should conform to all safety precautions in this guide when installing the module. Keep this guide in a safe place for further reference.

# 1.2 Limitation of Liability

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#### 1.3 Others

- 1.3.1 Modules rated for use in this application class may be used in systems operating at greater than 50V DC or 240W, where general contact access is anticipated. Modules qualified for safety through IEC 61730-1 and this part of IEC 61730 within this application class are considered to meet the requirements for safety class II.
- 1.3.2 Where common grounding hardware (nuts, bolts, star washers, spilt-ring lock washers, flat washers and the like) is used to attach a listed grounding/bonding device, the attachment must be made in conformance with the grounding device manufacturer's instructions.

# 2 Safety

## 2.1 General Safety

- 2.1.1 Consult and follow local codes and other applicable laws concerning required permitting as well as installation & inspection requirements, rules, and regulations.
- 2.1.2 PV modules should be installed and maintained by qualified personnel.
- 2.1.3 Use the same performance modules within a given series.
- 2.1.4 Follow all safety precautions of all components used in the system.
- 2.1.5 Do not shade portions of the PV module surface from the sun for a long period of time. The



- shaded cell will produce hot spot effect.
- 2.1.6 Do not clean the glass surface with chemicals.
- 2.1.7 Do not drop the PV module or drop objects onto the PV module.
- 2.1.8 Do not concentrate sunlight on the modules or panels.
- 2.1.9 Do not attempt to disassemble the modules, and do not remove any attached components from the modules.
- 2.1.10 Do not scratch or hit at the back sheet, the glass, the terminal box. Do not pull the cables or touch them with bare hands.
- 2.1.11 Do not drill holes in the frame or scratch the insulating coating of the frame.
- 2.1.12 Keep the PV module packed in the carton until installation and avoid carton moisture.
- 2.1.13 Do not use modules near equipment or in places where flammable gases may be generated.
- 2.2 Installation Safety
- 2.2.1 Wear protective head gear, insulating gloves, safety shoes, and insulated tools when installing the modules.
- 2.2.2 Do not install the modules in rain, snow, or otherwise wet or windy conditions.
- 2.2.3 Completely cover the PV module surface with an opaque material during PV module installation and wiring to prevent accidental charge buildup.
- 2.2.4 Plug in connectors tightly when working on wiring.
- 2.2.5 Due to the risk of electrical shock, do not perform any work if the terminals of PV module are wet.
- 2.2.6 Do not touch the terminal box and the end of output cables (connectors) with bare hands.
- 2.2.7 Do not unplug the connector under load.
- 2.2.8 Do not work alone.
- 2.2.9 Wear a safety belt if working far above the ground.
- 2.2.10 Do not wear metallic jewelry, which can cause electric shock, while installing or troubleshooting the PV system.
- 2.2.11 Follow the safety regulations for any and all other system components, including wires, connectors, charging regulators, batteries, inverters, etc.
- 2.2.12 Do not expose wires to direct sunlight. Use UV-resistant cabling.
- 2.2.13 Do not damage the surrounding PV modules or mounting structure when replacing a PV module.
- 2.2.14 Do not change any PV module components (diode, junction box, plug connectors, etc.).
- 2.2.15 Maximum reverse current for module is shown in Table 2. Use a blocking diode and maximum series overcurrent protective device in the combiner box are recommended for reverse current protection when more than three strings are connected in parallel.

Cell Size	Module Type
	Single Glass
182	33.75A

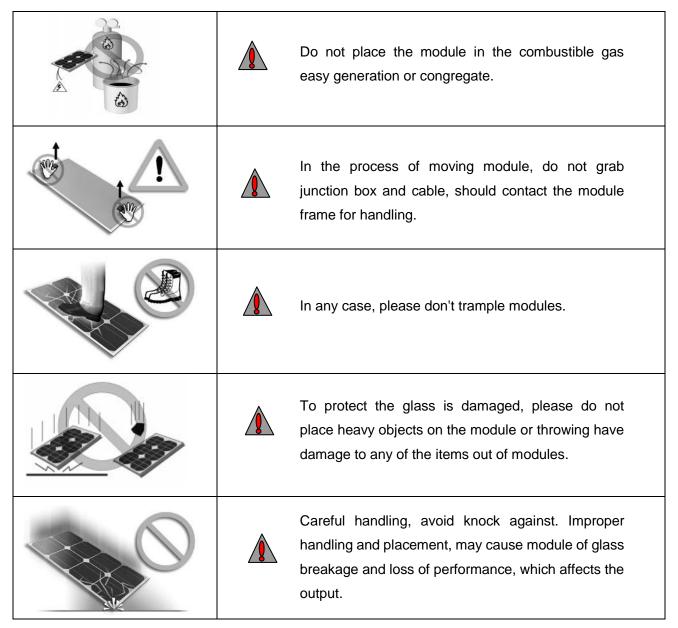
Table 2



- 2.2.16 The solar modules are recommended to be installed over a fireproof and insulating roof covering when installed on a roof.
- 2.2.17 Module may not be contacted during working.
- 2.2.18 Please fixed the connecting cable to the bracket which avoid loose cable waggle.
- 2.2.19 It is forbidden to cable placed on the sharp edges.
- 2.2.20 The corresponding protection measures should be made for cable to prevent direct contact with animals.
- 2.2.21 Excess gas that battery produced could cause explosion.
- 2.3 Installation matters needing attention







## 3 Mechanical Installation

- 3.1 Installation Condition
- 3.1.1 Environment temperature: -40 to  $85^{\circ}$ C.
- 3.1.2 Operating temperature: -40 to  $85^{\circ}$ C.
- 3.1.3 The maximum altitude of the PV module is designed: 2000m.
- 3.1.4 Tilt Angle selection: The installation should be facing north in the southern hemisphere and facing south in the northern hemisphere.
- 3.1.5 To maintain the modules' Class C fire rating, the fire class of the roof and building materials should higher than Class C. The fire rating of this module is valid only when mounted in the manner specified in the mechanical mounting instructions.
- 3.1.6 Raise the distance when installation requirement is greater than or equal to 0.3 m. Module installation use appropriate installation angle, refer to the following Table 3.



Local latitude	Installation angle
0°~15°	15°
15°~25°	latitude
25°~30°	latitude+5°
30°~35°	latitude+10°
35°~40°	latitude+15°
>40°	latitude+20°

Table 3

- 3.2 Installation method and corresponding static load
- 3.2.1 Screw fixed installation method and static load

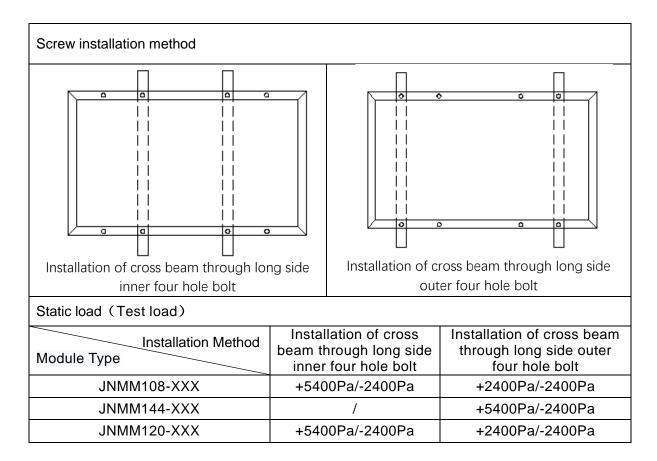


Table 4

Bolts are inserted as described in the process below (Fig. a).

1. Place the module on the supporting bars underneath (The modules should directly touch with the supporting bar). Insert the four stainless-steel bolts (M8) through the holes in the frame.

Components must be laid across support rods (40mm to 80mm in width).

2. Secure each bolt to the frame with 2 stainless-steel washers, one on each side of the mounting structure; and screw on either a stainless-steel spring washer or a toothed lock washer. Finally, secure with a stainless steel nut (M8).



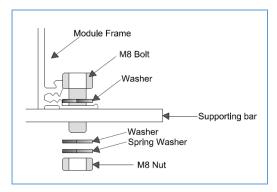


Fig. a

3. The torque for tightening the nut and bolts recommended 13Nm when the property class of bolts and nuts is Class 8.8.

#### 3.2.2 Fixture fixed installation method and static load

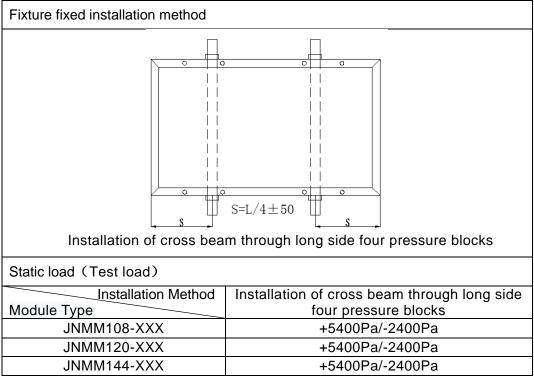


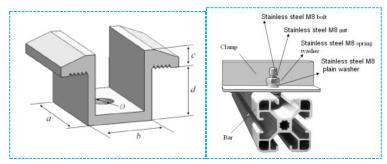
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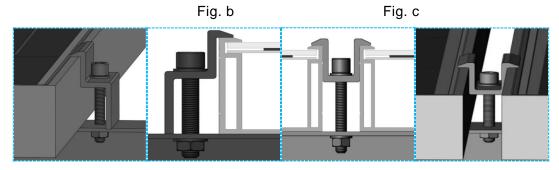
Each aluminum mounting clamp comes with an M8 bolt, a plain washer, a spring washer, and an M8 nut. To fasten the module:

- 1. Place the module on the two supporting bars (not provided). The bars should be made with stainless material or treated with an anti-corrosion process (e.g., anodic oxidation treatment). The component must be parallel or laid across support rods (the width of the support rod is 40-80 mm).
- 2. The bar's top surface contacted with module frame should come with grooves compatible with an M8 bolt.
- 3. If the bars do not come with grooves, holes of a suitable diameter may need to be drilled to allow bolts to be attached to the bars at the same locations as mentioned before.
- 4. Secure each clamp by attaching plain washer, spring washer, and nut, in that order.



5. Both of close-ups of Fig. b indicate the middle clamps and Fig. c indicate the side clamps for your reference. The dimensions for the middle clamps are  $a \ge 40$  mm,  $b \ge 26$  mm, c = 8 mm,  $d \ge 28$  mm, and  $\emptyset = 9$  mm. The torque for tightening the nut and bolts recommended 28Nm when the property class of bolts and nuts is Class 8.8. Especially the installation method of cross beam through long side briquetting, slide bolts through groove on the supporting bars next to the locations where the clamps are to be fastened. The module may be clamped only in the permitted clamping area as on the long edge of the frame, and the edge of the clamp should not coincide with the position of the mounting hole.





**End Clamp installation** 

Middle Clamp installation

6. Especially the installation of long side pressing blocks embedded in beam, the modules may be mounted using clamps designed for solar modules refer to Fig.d, the modules must be supported along the length of the long edge and should overlap the array rail by 10mm-14mm.

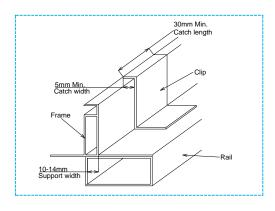


Fig. d

#### 3.3 Stent

1. Please obey the instructions and safety regulations on racks. From bracket suppliers if necessary, can obtain more information on support.



- 2. Module frame provided on the back of at least 4 fixed hole used for fixed installation, please don't in the module of drilling hole on aluminum alloy frame, such as drilling, is likely to affect the service life of module.
- 3. Module must be installed in the frame of the plane. Entire squadron composed of modules and support system must be able to withstand the wind and snow load must produce mechanical stress.
- 4. A stent of heat bilges cold shrink stress should not impact on the performance of the module and use.
- 5. Stent must by weather resistance, corrosion resistance, UV resistance materials, general use of steel or aluminum alloy materials.

Note: if the module of drilling hole on aluminum alloy frame, will not be guaranteed the product quality assurance period.

### 3.4 Ground and roof installation

#### 3.4.1 Ground installation

Choose to install the height of the need to guarantee the minimum edge module is covered with snow, vegetation cover, not by local sand damage caused by wind, suggest installation height not less than 300 mm.

#### 3.4.2 Roof installation

- 1. On the roof and building installation process, to ensure the module installation is firm, avoid module drop caused by the not installed firmly make its damage, or causing casualties.
- 2. Convenient for daily maintenance and reduce the water vapor condensation caused harm, the back of the module needs to have enough space. So in custom installation scheme and the installation process, to ensure that the back of the module and installation plane, have enough distance between recommended minimum distance is 50 mm.
- 3. Module roof installation, could affect the roof structure safety, it is necessary to use grounding failure protector, wrong installation can cause accident harm.
- 4. Solar modules installed on the roof, suggest the upper module is installed on fire protection and insulation.
- 5. In strong winds weather condition, please do not install the modules.

## 4 Electrical Installation

We recommend that all wiring and electrical connections comply with the appropriate national electrical code.

#### 4.1 Installation

- 4.1.1 Under standard test conditions (1000W/m² irradiance, AM 1.5 spectrum, and battery temperature at 25°C (77°F)), electrical performance parameters of module refer to the module specifications.
- 4.1.2 The maximum system voltage for all module series is 1500V.
- 4.1.3 Connect quantity of modules that match the voltage specifications of the inverters used in system. Modules must not be connected together to create a voltage higher than the permitted



maximum system voltage under the worst local temperature conditions.

- 4.1.4 Under normal conditions, a photovoltaic module is likely to experience conditions that produce more current and/or voltage than reported at standard test conditions. The requirements of the National Electrical Code (NEC) in Article 690 shall be followed to address these increased outputs. In installations not under the requirements of the NEC, the values of ISC and VOC marked on this module should be multiplied by a factor of 1.25 when determining component voltage ratings, conductor capacities, over current device ratings, and size of controls connected to the PV output.
- 4.1.5 Each module (or series-connected string of modules) shall be provided with the maximum series overcurrent protective device. The current of modules of different models can be referred to the Table 6.

Cell Size	Module Type	
	Single Glass	
182	25A	

Table 6

- 4.1.6 Use a special solar cable and plugs for installing the PV system and make sure that all connections are safe and tight. The cable cross section size should be 4mm<sup>2</sup> (12AWG) and able to withstand the maximum possible system open-circuit voltage.
- 4.1.7 Bypass diodes are included in module junction boxes to avoid decreased module performance in the event of shade or shelter. Please check the relevant product datasheet for the specific diodes of J-box.
- 4.1.8 It is recommended to install anti-reflection diode in the header box or group series inverter.
- 4.1.9 The maximum number of modules that can be connected in series must be calculated according to the relevant regulations. The value of the open-circuit voltage in the local minimum temperature condition cannot exceed the maximum system voltage of the module (the maximum system voltage of the module is DC1500V according to the IEC61730 safety test) and the value required by other DC electrical module.

It is recommended to calculate according to the following formula:

$$N \le \frac{V_{dc\;max}}{V_{oc} \times [1 + (t - 25) \times K_v]}$$

N: Recommended maximum number of series

V<sub>dc max</sub>: Maximum system voltage (DC1500V)

Voc: Refer to the values in the specification

t: The lowest predicted local temperature

K<sub>v</sub>: Open circuit voltage temperature coefficient

Note: The number of series and parallel connections is defined according to the number of MPPT routes of the selected inverter, but the total input current of the DC side cannot exceed the maximum current value of MPPT.



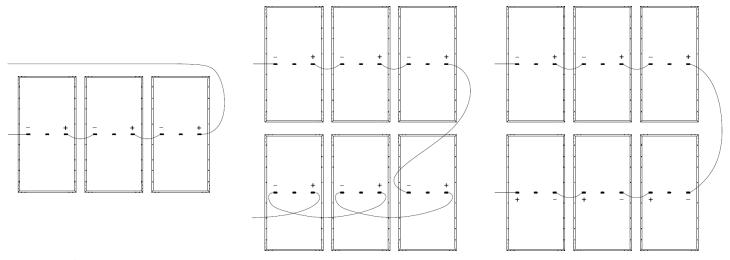
4.1.10 It is possible to heat or burn up except for hearing "ka" when people plug the connector.



4.1.11 The minimum bended radius is 43mm and prohibit to excessively bend. After the assembly is installed, the cable shall be fixed in time, and the cable shall not swing back and forth for a long time.

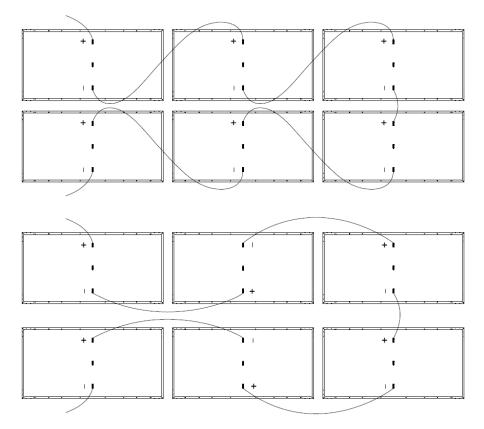


- 4.1.12 It is recommended to use jinergy type PV-JN01, 5.6~6.3 mm cable for connector which supplied by module factory, these connectors are not recommended to replace the module connector.
- 4.1.13 Wiring mode of junction box
- 1) Wiring mode for vertical installation



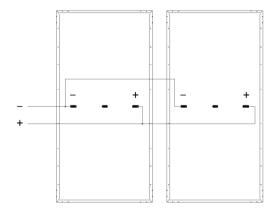
2) Wiring mode for horizontal installation





3) For the series connected diagrams, that a series connection of modules will result in an additive voltage.

For the parallel connected diagrams, that a parallel connection of modules will result in an additive current.



# 4.2 Grounding anti-thundered

## 4.2.1 Grounding







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Fig.e Toothed washer nut

- 1) Use the marked 5.5 mm grounding holes (5.5mm) to ground the anodized frame. All nuts, bolts, and gasket are type M5 and should be made of stainless steel (Fig. e).
- 2) Put the bolt through the Fixed end and then through the hole in the aluminum frame.
- 3) Add the gasket and nut on the other side of the bolt and tighten to secure all parts. The tightening torque should be 2.1±0.1Nm. (Note that the copper wire cannot be attached directly to the aluminum.).

To suggest grounding method above, also can use in line with the national electrical grounding method of relevant norms.

## 4.2.2 Precautions for grounding anti-thundered

Conventional grounding hardware (nuts, bolts, washers, toothed lock washers, smooth washers, etc.) is used to connect grounding or securing equipment. The connection must comply with the grounding equipment manufacturer's instructions. When grounding, observe the following local standards and rules:

- 1) Use the ground hole on the frame for grounding. Do not use mounting holes or drill extra holes for grounding on the frame. Otherwise, the rigidity of the frame may be insufficient.
- 2) The frame is a corrosion-resistant coated aluminum frame. When grounding, it is necessary to use toothed gasket or self-tapping screw to penetrate the film to achieve a good grounding effect, otherwise it may cause poor grounding.
- 3) Each module is grounded individually. For example, ensure that all modules of series are properly connected at the beginning and end of each string. Do not ground one part in a single array.
- 4) The material, shape, size, buried depth, and grounding mode of the grounding body must comply with the design specifications.
- 5) Before the thunderstorm season, check whether the grounding of the PV module is reliable, such as whether the grounding cable is connected effectively and whether the anti-corrosion treatment measures are intact. If necessary, dig the ground to spot check the corrosion of the underground part.
- 6) The recommended grounding cable diameter must meet grounding requirements.
- 7) Anti-thundered measure should be taken to module series Photovoltaic grounding and lightning protection should implement by regulation of DL/T1364.

#### 5 Installation method

- 1. The modules which installed at one series should be same power, same color, same current.
- 2. If the modules must be gathered together, we suggest that the first mix colors, secondly mix current, mixed power is not recommended.
- 3. Only high current modules can mixed into low current modules series.
- 4. The strapping tape of cable need to use scissors to cut open, can't catch the connector pull off.
- 5. If there is tape to hold the cables on the backsheet, remove it before installation.
- 6. During installation, the backsheet of the modules shall not be scratched.



- 7. Do not tread module in any case.
- 8. Where there are sandstorm, the module connector should immediately connect after a short period, or do sand protection, avoid sand enter into the connector and affect the installation.
- 9. Recommendations for coastal applications of PV modules (Table 7).

Definition	Coast Distance L(m)	Installation	Rack Requirement
General Location	L ≥1000	Normal	Standard
Coast Location 100 < L < 1000		Anti-corrosive treatment	Anti-corrosive treatment
Severe Coast area	L ≤100	Reject	-

Table 7

- 1) All requirements in the installation manual must be followed.
- 2) The below instructions must be followed:
  - a. Don't scratch Corrosion resistant layer with the surface of modules and PV system;
  - b. All of support systems for PV installation, must be resistance to salt mist and corrosion of sea water:
  - c. Insulation or corrosion protective measures must be taken for Non Aluminum alloy material directly connected frame or gap between metal parts and frame.

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# 6 Maintenance and Disposal

## 6.1 Daily inspection

- 1. Check whether the glass surface of the module is scratched, broken, or cracked. If the glass is cracked, the module needs to be replaced immediately.
- 2. The module is forbid to shield by grass, droppings and other sundry, otherwise it will cause power decreases, serious will cause hot spots, combustion.
- 3. Check whether the installation device of the module is loose or damaged. If it is not firmly installed, it may be overturned by strong wind.
- 4. Check whether cables and connectors are damaged or loose. Check whether the grounding cable is in good contact with the module.
- 5. Check whether sharp objects are in contact with the glass and backsheet of modules.
- 6. Check whether there is cable or other components impact module, this phenomenon may cause cell cracked, power decreased, serious may cause hot spot or burning.
- 7. Modules shall not be piled up around flammable items, surrounding environment should be good ventilation and heat dissipation.
- 8. Pay attention to avoid electric shock during operation and maintenance (as long as there is light, the module may have current, even if the inverter is not started).



9. In order to keep the system security and work under maximum efficiency, electrical and mechanical failure needs to be tested by authorized personnel.







Foreign body occlusion

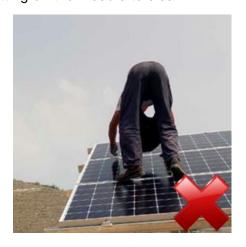


The cable is loose

#### 6.2 Clean

The module should clean which the irradiance is lower than 200 w/m², suggested module cleaning time: the summer before 6 o 'clock in the morning, after 7 PM; the winter before 7 o 'clock in the morning, after 6 PM.

- 1. You can use all kinds of soft sponge, foam, duster to clean module rather than knife, steel wool in case of scratching the glass.
- 2. Clean the water pressure cannot be more than 690 Kpa.
- 3. For stubborn dirt on the glass surface, you can use mild, non-abrasive cleaners, such as glass cleaners, alcohol, etc., and do not use corrosive chemical reagents.
- 4. People can clear it with soft items if there is thick snow on the glass, be careful to not scratch glass. It is not recommended to clean when the snow wait to be too thick, to avoid the module surface freeze.
- 5. Do not clean the module which glass is cracked or cable is damaged, as there is a risk of electric shock.
- 6. Don't walking, standing or sitting on the module to clean.



- 7. It is not recommended to clean with higher mineral water because there are remaining minerals after dry up.
- 8. It is forbidden to clean with water which temperature is different largely with module, otherwise the glass is impossible to broken.
- 9. Do not touch the surface of module with bare hands.



# 6.3 Safety tips

- 1. It is recommended that professional personnel check and maintain the power station system to avoid electric shock or personal injury.
- 2. Pay attention to safety protection measures during inspection and maintenance. Electrical equipment may be in high voltage danger.
- 3. Follow the operation and maintenance instructions and safety rules for all components used in PV system.

# 7 Unloading and storage of modules

# 7.1 Unloading

S/N	Operating Procedure	Photo	Control Point
1	If the container is on the ground, the module can be unloading directly.		If the container is not full, the people need to cut the bandage when unloading(If the container is full, the bandage is none).
2	If the container is on the flatbed trailer, the module need a landing platform when unloading.	The second secon	1. Before the forklift operate, add some buffer articles at the forklift arm to avoid damaging the module.  2. Box transportation needs to keep horizontal or tilted to the direction of forklift.  3. The vertical surface of the forklift arm should be smooth and there are no something that sticks out.  4. Start from the short side of the packing box, reduce modules that are broken.  5. When second transportation, a special person should be command to carry, and it is prohibited to damage the packing box.  6. During operation, the forklift truck should not hit the pallet including the pallet wooden pier.
3	The forklift can loading 3T or more, raising the module smoothly pull out and keep slow speed when holding the module.		transportation needs to keep horizontal or tilted to the direction of forklift.     The vertical surface of the forklift arm should be smooth and there are no something that sticks out.



# 7.2 Operating procedure of unpacking

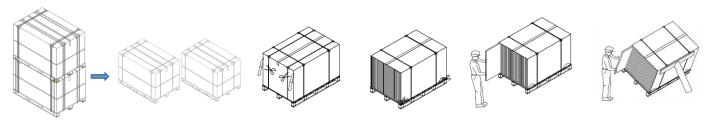


Figure 1	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4	Figure 5
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S/N	Operating Procedure	Control Point
1	Cut off the straps, remove the top package down and hold on flat floor, as shown in figure 1.	
2	Cut the two longitudinal straps, then carefully cut and remove the cardboard of one short side of the box, as shown in figure 2.	For the safety of operation, operators should wear anti-cutting gloves and other labor protection supplies: Pay attention to not damage the modules during the cutting process.
3	Cut the cardboard, then cut the inner straps around the modules, as showed in figure 3.	
4	Pull slowly out the modules from the back side of the module, then carry one module with two people, as showed in figure 4. When take off the last eight modules, the outermost module must be slanted to lean on the other modules (If not may result in hidden cracks or damage when the module tilted).	
5	Package could be put on the place that the tilt angle is not more than 17 degrees. When unpacking on non-horizontal place, measures should be needed to protect modules, as showed in figure 5.	
Note	If there are modules left after unpacking, please lay them flat and repack them. For details on the storage of scattered components, see the following page.	

# 7.3 Storage for modules

S	/N	Operating Procedure	Photo	Control Point
		The module would be best set on the flat floor, stand side by side and place neatly.	-mana 140 )	To same color and current modules, try to make sure that they are placed together for easy management.



2	1. If the ground is not flat or the slope is small, the stacked package must be break down, the short part of carton is facing down, stand side by side and place neatly.  2. Module are not allowed to place on steep ground.  3. When second transportation, a special person should be command to carry, and it is prohibited to damage the packing box.	The pallet should be pulled firmly as following.
3	The module should be protect when raining or wet, which wrapped by waterproof.	It should be protected by waterproof whether above two methods.  If the installation is not performed after the arrival of the modules, the packaging box must be kept in a dry state and moved indoors. If the packaging box is found to be wet, it is recommended to dry the modules and replace the packaging box.

# 7.4 Storage for scattered modules

S/N	Operating Procedure	Photo	Control Point
1	If unpacked modules do not installed completely.		It can not remain in the box for long time, if it is necessary to storage the unpacked modules, we suggest the following method.
2	Place the modules on the pallet.		<ol> <li>The pallet need to put on the flat ground.</li> <li>The glass of first module need to face upward, it need to face down from second module.</li> <li>It can not more than 10 Pcs/pallet totally.</li> <li>It is forbidden that carry module by cable of junction box.</li> <li>The modules should be stacked neatly, avoid the glass blasting because of dislocation.</li> <li>Do not allowed to carry modules in the this case.</li> <li>It is not allowed two or more adjacent modules which have no corner protection.</li> </ol>
3	Modules should be wrapped by waterproof.		If the installation is not performed after the arrival of the modules, the packaging box must be kept in a dry state and moved indoors. If the packaging box is found to be wet, it is recommended to dry the modules and replace the packaging box.