Choosing a ProNauticP Charger

ProNauticP Series chargers are designed for cuddies, cruisers, sailboats, yachts and commercial / larger fishing boats. Boats in this class typically have a common ground and are set up for shore power AC and sometimes include the use of a generator and/or an inverter on board. A 12V DC common ground system is typical for most boats, however larger boats and commercial boats may be utilizing a 24V, 32V or 36V common ground DC system.

Method 1 (preferred):

When choosing a dry mount charger, the following information will aid in the proper selection:

- 1. How many low voltage lights are on-board and total estimated amperage required when they are all on?

 (Good rule of thumb is 1 amp per bulb)
- 2. How is the boat used? If there is a lot of use while at the dock, what is the total estimated DC amp draw if at the dock with all lights and DC appliances on?
- 3. What is the DC voltage system onboard? (12V DC or 24V DC or 32V DC or 36V DC)
- 4. Is there an inverter being used? If yes what is the wattage rating and DC input amps required?
- 5. What is the number of batteries and group size of each battery?

 For example: After answering the above you find you have 12V DC system with 18 DC lights on board and a VHF radio you like to leave on with a satellite TV for entertaining, you would find your DC amp load would be approximately 20 amps. Add an additional 10 amps for charging capacity and select a 30 amp charger. This would be a Pronautic1230P as shown in the chart below.

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			Charger No. of Total number of All Battery Amp Hours On-board										
Model	Part #	Volts	Output	Batteries	Cycles	100-199	200-299	300-399	400-599	600-799	Size (LxWxH)	Weight	AC In
ProNautic 1210P	63110	12	10 Amps	2 Bank	50/60	9 Hrs					10.25"x8.5"x3.5"	5 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 1215P	63115	12	15 Amps	3 Bank	50/60	6 Hrs	9 Hrs				10.25"x8.5"x3.5"	5 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 1220P	63120	12	20 Amps	3 Bank	50/60	5 Hrs	7 Hrs	10 Hrs			10.25"x8.5"x3.5"	5 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 1230P	63130	12	30 Amps	3 Bank	50/60		6 Hrs	8 Hrs	10 Hrs		10.25"x8.5"x3.5"	5 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 1240P	63140	12	40 Amps	3 Bank	50/60		5 Hrs	6 Hrs	8 Hrs	11 Hrs	10.25"x8.5"x3.5"	5 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 1250P	63150	12	50 Amps	3 Bank	50/60			6 Hrs	7 Hrs	9 Hrs	12.25"x8.5"x3.5"	7 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 1260P	63160	12	60 Amps	3 Bank	50/60			5 Hrs	6 Hrs	8 Hrs	12.25"x8.5"x3.5"	7 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 2420P	63170	24	20 Amps	3 Bank	50/60	5 Hrs	7 Hrs	10 Hrs			10.25"x8.5"x3.5"	5 lbs	100-260
ProNautic 2430P	63180	24	30 Amps	3 Bank	50/60		6 Hrs	8 Hrs	10 Hrs		12.25"x8.5"x3.5"	7 lbs	100-260

The Battery Charger Selector Guide is meant to be used as a guide to help determine the right charger for your needs. All charge times given are using the longest time it would take to charge a dead (50% discharged) set of batteries. In most cases, your set of batteries will recharge much faster. See battery group size table below.

Method 2:

If you are not able to answer all the questions listed in method 1, you may make a selection by simply understanding the number and sizes of each battery on board and compare it to the battery group size list on the right. Select a recovery time that is suitable for your needs. Batteries are categorized into "Group" size designations and each group size has an average number of amp hours (AH) available in each battery classification. The combined total of all batteries to be charged provides your total amp hours.

Example: Two group 27 batteries (100 AH each) and One group 8D (225 AH) totals 3 batteries with a combined total of 425 AH (100 + 100 + 225 = 425).

Battery Group Size

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GROUP 24	Average of 85 Amp Hours
GROUP 27	Average of 100 Amp Hours
GROUP 31	Average of 115 Amp Hours
GROUP 4D	Average of 165 Amp Hours
GROUP 8D	Average of 225 Amp Hours