# **RA3800 JUMP START**





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# Safety

This manual contains important safety and operating instructions for the RA3800 jump start. Read this manual carefully before using.

Consider ALL safety, warning and caution instructions carefully.

#### Warning

- 1. The equipment is intended for use by adults and should not be operated by children
- **2.** The jump starter described in this manual is suitable for portable and emergency power applications. DO NOT exceed ratings nominated in the specifications
- 3. DO NOT attempt to charge or boost a frozen lead-acid battery
- 4. The jump start is equipped with polarity protection in the OFF position prevent clamps from touching each other or contacting metal to stop accidental arcing
- 5. Only use attachments supplied with the equipment failure to do so may result in personal injury or equipment damage or void warranty
- 6. When disconnecting power, pull by the plug DO NOT pull on the power lead
- 7. Replace a damaged charger power lead immediately. Do not attempt to recharge the jump start if the equipment is damaged
- 8. Prevent submersion in water
- 9. Dispose of any faulty batteries in an environmentally responsible manner
- **10.** DO NOT leave the jump start in a total discharge state for any period of time permanent battery damage can result. When not in use, leave the jump start connected to the supplied battery charger, or recharge monthly and after every jump start performed.

	Avoid contact with battery acid - it is highly corrosive, causing burn injuries and equipment damage.
	Wear safety glasses to prevent eye injuries.
	If acid contacts eyes - flush immediately with cold water for 10 minutes, and seek medical attention
	Wear protective clothing to prevent acid contacting the skin.
	If battery acid contacts skin - wash immediately with soap and fresh water.
	Remove all jewellery and personal metal items when working with a lead-acid batteries.
	<ul> <li>A lead-acid battery can generate explosive gases during normal battery operation. To reduce risk of explosion, follow these instructions, those of the battery manufacturer and of any equipment being used in vicinity of battery</li> <li>Use the jump start in a well ventilated area. DO NOT operate in the vicinity of flammables</li> </ul>
FLAMMABLE GAS	such as petrol etc
	• Short circuiting the contacts can generate a spark, creating a potentially explosive situation - take care with tools and components
	• Never smoke while working with a lead-acid battery. Do not allow sparks or flame near the battery



# **General Information**

Operational and Safety Design Features

The RA3800 jump start provides enough power to start most vehicles and:

- 1. Is designed for 12/24V
- 2. Contains 2 x 500CCA batteries
- 3. Supplies 1000/500 CCA
- 4. Connects to the battery with 50mm<sup>2</sup> boost cable with copper jaws
- 5. For optimum performance, do not store below 10°C when using as a jump starter

#### **Alternative Power Supply**

Most vehicles have electronic components - alarm systems, radios, etc whose memory can be lost when the battery is disconnected. The jump start is a useful tool when replacing a battery - connect the jump start clamps to the vehicle battery cables / terminals BEFORE disconnecting them from the battery posts. Vehicle remains powered from the jump start.



- Use only as emergency power.
- · Batteries are not intended for cyclic applications battery life is reduced
- Discharging below 12.2 / 24.4 volts can damage the internal batteries

#### **Multi Purpose Power Source**

- 1. The jump start can power most equipment incorporating a 12 volt DC male adapter. The jump start DC outlet has overload protection. DC power is generated only through the DC outlet
- 2. Used with an inverter, the jump start can operate appliances normally powered by 240 VAC.
- **3.** A maximum 150 Watt inverter is recommended because the RA3800 DC 12 VOLT socket is powered from the 2 batteries fitted.



## Antizap<sup>®</sup> Protection

Antizap<sup>®</sup>Surge Protection fitted to the RA3800 protects against surges and spikes. When the clamps are correctly connected, the Antizap Surge Protection LED illuminates - indicating the entire circuit is protected.

STOP IMMEDIATELY if the REVERSE CONNECTION and WARNING LED sounds / lights - the clamps are connected in reverse. Remove the clamps and reconnect correctly.



• The REVERSE polarity LED and buzzer only provides an indication of a short circuit if the RA3800 is switched OFF.

Ignoring these warnings and switching the RA3800 ON or,

Risk of Short Circuit.

Switching the RA3800 ON and then connecting incorrectly could result in:

• Personal injury to people in the vicinity,



- Equipment or vehicle damage,Sparks, flame and heat.The warranty being void

### Specifications

	RA3800
Cable Length	1.52M - 50mm <sup>2</sup> DC cable
Peak Amps	3800 @ 12V
	1900 @ 24V
Cold Cranking Amps -	1000 CCA @ 12 Volt
CCA	500 CCA @ 24 Volt
Voltage Options	12VDC and 24VDC
Voltage and Current Protection	Antizap <sup>®</sup> Surge / Spike protection - when unit is in ON position
Antizap <sup>®</sup> Operational Indication	Green flashing LED
Reverse Connection Warning	Red LED and Warning Buzzer in the OFF position only
Weight	20.4kgs
DC Power Outlet	12V with overload protection
Voltmeter	Analogue
Recharge Capability	From 240VAC using MAC02 charger provided
Batteries	2 x 500CCA
Dimensions	36 x 16 x 36.6 cm
Warranty	1 year - excluding battery



# **RA3800 Operation**

#### **Initial Charge**

Before using the jump start for the first time, charge the unit for 24 hours, or until the MAC02 Battery Charger supplied with the equipment indicates fully charged.

#### **Testing RA3800 Charge Status**

Test 12VDC Status - Switch to 12V position then press and hold TEST switch. VOLT METER indicates status

Test 24VDC Status - Switch to 24V position then press and hold TEST switch. VOLT METER indicates status

#### Operation



- 1. Turn the ignition off before making connections
- 2. Ensure the RA3800 voltage selector is in the OFF position
- 3. Attach the red / positive + clamp to the battery positive terminal
- 4. Attach the black / negative clamp to the battery negative terminal
- 5. The RA3800 voltmeter displays the voltage of the battery being started. If less than 3 volts on 12 volt setting, or 6 volts on 24 volt setting do not attempt to jump start the vehicle. The battery voltage is too low an attempted jump start would be dangerous. Replace the battery.
- 6. If displayed voltage is above 3 volts on 12 volt setting, or 6 volts on 24 select either 12V or 24V
- 7. Keep cables clear of moving objects
- 8. Keep people clear of the battery area
- **9.** Turn vehicle ignition on. **If vehicle does not start after 6 seconds,** allow the RA3800 to cool for 3 minutes before attempting to restart the vehicle. This avoids damage to the unit.
- **10.** Once started, disconnect the black / negative clamp from the battery negative terminal. Then remove the red / positive + clamp.
  - Risk of Short Circuit.



The REVERSE polarity led and buzzer only provides an indication of a short circuit if the RA3800 is switched OFF.



Leave the RA3800 on charge when not in use - the MAC02 is a Charger / Maintainer and will maintain the batteries in peak condition longer. *Turn the switch to the 12V position for charging. In the OFF position - only 1 of the 2 batteries are charged* 



# **MAC02** Charger

#### General

The MAC02 Battery Charger is a fully automatic microprocessor controlled battery charger / maintainer.



#### **MAC02** Basic Operation

- 1. Ensure the MAC02 and the RA3800 are switched OFF before plugging MAC02 into the RA3800
- 2. Turn the RA3800 12V / OFF / 24V switch to the 12V position for charging.
- 3. Plug MAC02 charger into 240VAC and switch power on
- 4. Plug MAC02 male plug into the 12VDC socket on the front of the RA3800



- 5. MAC02 starts charging when it senses the battery voltage. CHARGING LED is solid red.
- 6. ABNORMAL LED flashes amber if the MAC02 detects a problem with the battery.
- 7. When the battery is fully charged CHARGE LED is solid green.







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#### Maintenance

- 1. Keep the jump start fully charged
- 2. Recharge upon purchase and immediately after each use
- 3. Recharge if not used for two months
- 4. It is recommended to continuously the jump pack the unit will not be damaged

#### Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Solution
Charger works, but there is no volt charge on the display when the Switching Power Charger is connected to the jump pack	<ol> <li>Possible defective battery or faulty switch. Try using a device - light, TV, etc with a DC plug on it to see if it works</li> <li>If it works, the jump start battery is operational and the switch may be faulty</li> </ol>
Charger comes to full charge, but display indicates low voltage	1. Jump start has a defective battery - could be the result of intense use without allowing a cool down period
Jump start is fully charged, but has no power	<ol> <li>Check where the wire meets the jaw on the jump start clamp. Ensure they are well crimped, or</li> <li>Ensure power switch is in the ON position.</li> </ol>

#### **Frequently Asked Questions - FAQ**

Q: How many jump starts can I expect from a fully charged unit before needing to be recharged?

A: Depends on the engine type and size, condition of battery and temperature - the jump start may be used up to 20 times before recharging in normal use environments.

#### **Q:** What is the ideal jump start storage temperature?

A: The jump start operates most effectively when stored at room temperature. The unit also operates at below 0° conditions, but with less cranking power. Excessive heat accelerates self discharge.

**Q:** When recharging the unit, when do I know the jump start is fully charged?

#### A: Check MAC02 Operating Instructions

**Q:** How long should I charge the jump start?

A: Charge the jump start for a minimum of 24 hours when first purchased. The unit can be left on the wall charger continuously without damaging the unit.

**Q:** Can the self contained battery be recycled?

A: Yes - refer to REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL instructions

Q:How often should I charge the RA3800?



A:Leave the RA3800 on charge when not in use - the MAC02 is a Charger / Maintainer and will maintain the batteries in peak condition longer

#### **RA3800 Battery Removal**



- The RA3800 internal batteries are sealed lead acid battery.
- Recycle / dispose of batteries in accordance with the applicable regulations.

#### **Battery Removal Procedure**

- 1. Ensure both booster clamps are securely stored in their compartments on each side of the jump start
- 2. Place the jump start front side down.
- 3. Locate and remove the screws on the back remove the lid
- 4. Disconnect the internal battery connections from the terminals. Prevent accidental arcing by protecting the terminal not being removed
- 5. Lift the battery from out of the enclosure.



# Warranty

#### Warranty Against Defects Procedure

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#### Warranty

Matson warrants its products to be free of defects for reasonable consumer use for a period of 12 months. Matson will repair or replace the warranted product and it will return the repaired products under warranty to the consumer at Matson's cost.

To make a claim under this warranty, the consumer must:

- Advise Matson of the defect as soon as it becomes apparent within 12 months of the purchase date and obtain a return authority by phoning Matson on the above number
- Provide satisfactory proof of purchase; and
- Send the faulty item to the address supplied above. All expenses related to sending the products back to Matson are at the consumer's cost.

#### Exclusions from Warranty

This warranty does not apply to products where:

- There is evidence of Improper maintenance or abuse to the products
- The products have been exposed to harsh environmental conditions or those outside the specified operating conditions
- · Unauthorised modification is evident to the products or misuse of products
- Operation outside the products specification.

#### Warranty Disclaimers

Matson's liability in respect of a breach of a consumer guarantee or any warranty made under these warranty terms and conditions for any products not of a kind ordinarily acquired for personal, domestic or household use is limited, in relation to the products to the extent permissible by law and at it's option to:

- Replacing the products or the supply of equivalent goods
- The repair of the products
- The payment of the cost of replacing the products or of acquiring equivalent goods; or
- The payment of the cost of having the products repaired.

To the extent permitted by law, all other warranties whether implied or otherwise, not set out in these warranty terms and conditions are excluded and we are not liable in contract, tort (including, without limitation, negligence or breach of statutory duty) or otherwise to compensate the customer for:

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- Any loss or expense resulting from a claim by a third party; or
- Any special, indirect or consequential loss or damage of any nature whatsoever caused by Matson's failure in complying with its obligations.

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In the following paragraph, "Our" means Matson and "You" means the customer:

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law.



You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

The benefits given to the customer in this warranty are in addition to other rights and remedies under a law in relation to the products to which this warranty applies.



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