

ELWA[®] Photovoltaic Hot Water System



Hot water from from PV Panels!

- 100 % PV self-consumption
- Easy installation
- AC backup heating included
- No need for grid connection permits
- Lower cost compared to conventional hot water systems
- 2 ELWAs allow stratification-heating
- Low maintenance costs

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How ELWA works

ELWA uses DC power from PV panels directly for water heating.

No grid connection, no inverter, and no need for grid connection permits. Very easy to install.

The patented ELWA system provides up to 50% of the annual hot water demand of a four persons household.

With a DC power of 2,1 kWp ELWA replaces a four to ten square meter solar thermal system. ELWA can also be retrofitted to existing PV-systems to increase self consumption. Automatic AC backup heating ensures hot water supply during rainy days.



Efficient and energy saving

ELWA perfectly fits to hot water tanks from 100 up to 500 liters.

And: it works without any mains power, even during blackouts. Only 2 watts solar power is required to run the system - it provides hot water even under low irradiation conditions.

Advantages compared to solar thermal systems

- Simple installation: only two DC cables are needed, no water pipes
- Almost no losses between PV-modules und hot water tank
- Low maintenance: no moving parts, no glycol
- PV modules offer more energy yield at low outside temperatures
 - No stagnation problems, starts automatically if hot water tempature is below limit

Standard-installation

Place ELWA at the lower part of the hot water tank to use the maximum water volume as storage. The electrically isolated heating rod fits to most standard hot water tanks.

ELWA can be mounted to 6/4 inch fittings for immersion heaters or with an adapter plate to the inspection flange.

Residential buildings

Grid connected system installation may be complicated in residential buildings. ELWA is the perfect solution to supply each apartment seperatly with solar energy. It works even during bad weather conditions.



Stratification heating

ELWA can be used for stratification heating if a second unit is installed. One unit is mounted at the upper part of the hot water tank, the second at the bottom.

Advantage: hot water is provided much faster.

Communication works via DC cables - no extra wiring!



Save money & CO2!

With some simple input data our ELWA savings calculator computes your money return and CO2 emission reduction compared to



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Total savings in 25 years	7,500 Euro
CO2 Savings	20.350 kg





DC	Technical data
DC voltage = MPP voltage range	100 - 360 V (max)
Number of MPP trackers	1
Max. input current	10 A, limited
DC nominal power	2.000 W at 25° C ambient temperature, built-in derating
DC inputs	MC4, 1 string
Get design tool: ELWA PV-Dimensioning.xlsx	

AC	
Heating power	750 W
Mains supply	single phase, 230 V, 50-60 Hz
■ Fuse	10 A min.
Power cord	3 m
Standby-consumption	0 W at DC operation, <2 W at AC operation

General data	
MPP-efficiency	99.9 %
Total efficiency	>99% at nominal power
Protection class	IP20
 Operating temperature range 	10 °C to 40 °C
Display	3 LED's
Interface	Serial IR Interface
Dimensions (lxhxd)	130 x 180 x 600 mm including heating rod
Weight	2 kg
Heating rod length	45 cm
Heating rod thread dimension	6/4 inch
Certification	CE
Warranty	2 years

Interfaces

USB Interface	ELWA software available at www.my-pv.com
ELWA Modbus Interface	For real time system monitoring, further temperature sensor included.

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