

## FRONIUS WARRANTY TERMS AND CONDITIONS

valid from: 01/01/2015

These warranty terms and conditions apply to first-installation Fronius inverters in Australia.

## Content of the warranty:

#### Fronius Warranty Plus/Warranty Extension Plus

The Fronius Warranty Plus/Warranty Extension Plus covers the costs of materials, servicing and transport under the terms and conditions indicated below.

#### Fronius Warranty/Warranty Extension

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## **Duration of warranty:**

#### String inverters (wall-mounted devices)

String inverters are supplied with a 2-year Fronius Warranty Plus. (max. 30 months after dispatch by Fronius)

Under the 10 year warranty promotion the standard 2 year Fronius Warranty Plus can be extended with an additional 3 year Fronius Warranty Plus AND an additional 5 year Fronius Warranty if the warranty holder registers the inverter (serial number) online at www.solarweb.com in 2015. The warranty will be invalid if incorrect details are provided.

## Central inverters (free-standing devices)

Central inverters are supplied with a 5-year Fronius Warranty Plus.

## **Warranty services:**

If a fault should occur during the warranty period for which Fronius is responsible, Fronius itself will at its discretion either

- / make the corresponding spare parts available,
- / make an equivalent replacement device available,
- / repair this fault at its premises or on the customer's premises,
- / or have these services carried out by a suitably-trained Fronius Service Partner.

#### **Materials**

"Materials" means that, during the warranty period, Fronius will bear the cost of materials (spare part or replacement device excluding repair fee) associated with the warranty service.

#### Servicing

The warranty covers the labour costs associated with the materials, provided that these are incurred by Fronius itself or a Fronius Service Partner (service fee).

Other incidental costs (such as travel costs, installation costs, if these exceed the Fronius service fee, customs duties, etc.) are not covered by the warranties.

#### **Transport**

The costs of national transport (over land and water) are covered in the country in which these warranty terms and conditions apply under the Fronius Warranty Plus or Fronius Warranty Extension Plus.

Fronius will not bear the costs of unjustified transport.

## **General transport regulations**

Devices or components are to be returned in the original or equivalent packaging. In principle, Fronius retains ownership of replacement devices and components inside or outside of the warranty/warranty exclusion until the faulty parts/devices have been received. In all cases ownership of the faulty device/parts is transferred to Fronius when the replacement device is received. If the faulty device/parts is/are not returned to Fronius within 90 days, they will be charged to the installer at the current replacement prices.

# Fronius Warranty Extension/Warranty Extension Plus

An extended warranty can be purchased up to 30 months after dispatch by Fronius Australia. Fronius may reject orders received later. The extended warranties only apply to Fronius devices unambiguously identified by their serial number.

It is possible to extend the warranty to 10, 15 or 20 years from dispatch by Fronius.

## Considerations when making a warranty claim

End customers should first contact their installer, who will then contact Fronius if necessary.

The procedure in the event of a warranty claim must be agreed with Fronius. This is the only way of ensuring that the above warranty services remain free of charge for the warranty holder.

The purchase invoice, serial number of the device and start-up report (the date on which the device was provided/commissioned and report from the power supply company), as well as proof of payment of the warranty extension fee, are required for warranty claims. The

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purchase price must have been paid to Fronius in full in order for the warranty service to be provided.

When devices or components are replaced, the remaining warranty period is transferred to the replacement device or replacement component. This is automatically registered at Fronius. A new certificate is not issued.

If servicing is carried out on site, the client must guarantee unrestricted access to the inverters. If necessary, the warranty holder must make the equipment required by the applicable health and safety regulations available free of charge.

## Scope and validity of the warranty

The Fronius warranties apply only to inverters and Fronius AC Combiners that have been identified unambiguously by their serial number. These must be appropriately certified for the country of installation. The other components of the photovoltaic system and Fronius system add-ons (for example, plug-in cards), system monitoring components and pre-production devices are excluded from the warranty. These components fall under the corresponding provisions of the applicable General Delivery and Payment Conditions of Fronius.

#### **Exclusions from the Fronius warranties**

Failure to observe the operating instructions, installation instructions or maintenance procedures.

- / Improper installation
- / Improper commissioning
- / Improper transportation
- / Improper or incorrect operation
- / Inadequate ventilation of the device
- / Any work performed on the device by companies or persons that have not been authorised by Fronius
- / Failure to observe safety rules and installation standards
- / Force majeure (storm, lightning, overvoltage, fire, etc.)

If a hybrid inverter is used in the emergency power mode for more than 15% of its operating time, this will result in exclusion from the warranty.

Damage to the inverter caused by other components in the photovoltaic system or damage that does not impair the function of the inverter ("cosmetic flaws") is also excluded from the warranty.

The warranty does not cover travel and accommodation expenses as well as on-site assembly and installation costs, if these exceed the service reimbursement paid to the

installer by Fronius depending on the service and agreement.

Changes to the existing PV system, in-house installation and similar or the time involved and the costs incurred are not covered by the warranty.

Due to technological progress, the equivalent replacement or new device provided may not be compatible with the system monitoring or other components installed on site (e.g. Fronius DATCOM). The warranty does not cover the expenses and costs incurred as a result.

A claim for compensation cannot be made for energy that has not been fed into the grid or energy that has not been consumed in-house, etc.

Fuses and other wearing parts are excluded from the warranty.

## Other legal information

In Australia, this warranty is given by, and all Australian warranty claims should be directed to:

Fronius Australia Pty Ltd, 90-92 Lambeck Drive, Tullamarine, VIC 3043, Telephone 03 8340 2900, Email pv-support-australia@fronius.com

The benefits to the consumer given by this manufacturer's warranty are in addition to other rights and remedies of the consumer that are stipulated by law, and which are not affected by this manufacturer's warranty.

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 general delivery and payment terms and conditions located on our website (www.fronius.com.au) under "Terms and conditions" are in effect unless these warranty conditions allow more favorable provisions.

Previously valid warranty conditions are replaced by these conditions.

Current and detailed information about warranty terms and conditions can be found on our website at

www.fronius.com/solar/warranty

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