# Model JR - 1 Current Interrupter

# **Reference Manual**

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### <u>General</u>

The MCM Model JR-1 is a microprocessor controlled, high current interrupter featuring a high stability, temperature compensated time base. The JR-1 was specifically designed for the interruption of multiple rectifier cathodic protection systems in order to conduct synchronized instant off testing for extended periods.

## **Capabilities**

The JR-1's capabilities include DC interruption in excess of 900 watts loads and AC interruption in excess of 5 KW loads (Reactive). Also, multiple unit synchronous operation is guaranteed for a normal five-day workweek. The JR-1 is sync and program compatible with all other models of the Model JR family of current interrupters.

# Features

- Synchronization with any number of Model JR current interrupters;
- Five functions programmable from the front panel keypad;
- Night latch automatically stops relay in closed position when the STOP SET is programmed. The operation resumes when the START SET time is reached;
- Relay Condition Displayed as ON or OFF along with a count down of time remaining in that condition;
- Start Condition The switch is selectable to Open or Closed and is defined to include the STOP SET or Night Latch;
- Self Diagnostic Automatically performs a system test at start up and displays **Pass** if the JR-1 is ready to proceed;



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- An examination of the programmed parameters may be done at any time by pressing the appropriate function key;
- Memory The last entry made for each function is Remembered by the JR-1. There is no need to re-program for each start up;
- Synchronization Multiple units may be synchronized before or during operation;
- Re-synchronization The JR-1 calculates when the relay should be switching, based on start time. This allows the re-synchronization of an existing unit or insertion of additional units during a test in progress;
- Charging System A unique three-step system provides faster recharging, longer battery life, and temperature compensation. This allows for indefinite float charging during storage;
- State-of-Charge Indicator This indicator changes from RED to GREEN when 80% capacity is reached;

# **Specifications**

**DISPLAY:** 5-1/2-digit liquid crystal with battery and relay condition annunciators. Character height: .5 in. Operating temperature: -20 to +195 degrees F. (-30 to +90 degrees C.)

**TIME BASE:** 2 MHz Temperature Compensated Crystal Oscillator, 0.5 Sec. per 24 Hr.

**KEYBOARD:** Sealed, Tactile feedback, 16 key Arrangement: 5 function keys -Time Set, Start Set, Stop Set



(6), On cycle, Off cycle, 10 digit keys: 0- 9, 1 Enter Key: ENTER

CYCLE RANGE: .2 to 999.9 seconds, On Cycle and Off Cycle.

**AUTO START:** Start Set: Programmable delayed Start from 1 minute to 24 hours, in one-minute increments.

**AUTO STOP:** Stop Set (6). Programmable Stop from 1 minute to 24 hours, in one-minute increments. *NOTE:* Always stops with respect to the **Start Relay** switch position (Open or Closed).

**SYNCHRONIZATION:** Multiple Unit capability, compatible with all JR versions.

**ACCURACY:** Less than +/- .5 sec. in 24 hours (one day).

**RELAY:** Latching relay with spare contacts.

MAXIMUM RATINGS: <u>CURRENT</u> 35A @ 28VDC 35A @ 125VAC

 MAXIMUM RATINGS:
 VOLTAGE

 28 DC @ 35 A
 240VAC @ 5A

**BATTERY:** Sealed, rechargeable, 6 Volt, 2.6A/H Charger supplied.

**BATTERY LIFE:** Approx. 50 hrs. @ .4 sec ON and 1.6 sec OFF.

**SIZE:** 10" H x 10.75" W x 5" D, (26 x 28 x 13 cm)

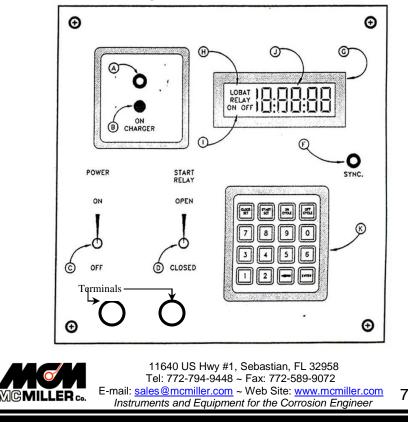
WEIGHT: 7bs. Net weight. (3.2 Kg)



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#### Panel Controls

- A. Battery Charging Receptacle;
- B. Battery Charging Indicator Light;
- C. Power Switch;
- D. Relay Starting Position Switch;
- F. Synchronizing Receptacle;
- G. LCD Display Window;
- H. Low Battery Indicator;
- I. Rectifier Condition Indicator;
- J. Display Area for Clock Time, Starting Time, Countdown Timing, and Settings for ON Cycle and OFF Cycle;
- K. Keyboard for Setting Times, ON Cycle, OFF Cycle and Activating Clock.



#### **Operations Overview**

- A. Turn Power Switch **ON**;
- B. Select Start Relay switch position, Open or Closed. (Also applies to Stop or Night Latch, i.e., Start Closed - Stop Closed;
- C. Enter operating time requirements under the five function keys;
- D. Synchronize all units to be used, to each other;

The JR-1 contains an EEPROM, which retains the last entry made under the five function keys. Factory testing will leave an existing program, which will be overwritten by the next entries.

The uses for the JR-1 are too numerous to list. The following examples will serve as both a set up (programming) and typical use guide. These examples assume instant-off testing of multiple rectifier cathodic protection on a structure.

# Note: ALWAYS USE THE MILITARY TIME FORMAT WHEN ENTERING TIME DATA.

#### EXAMPLE: 18:00 INSTEAD OF 6:00PM

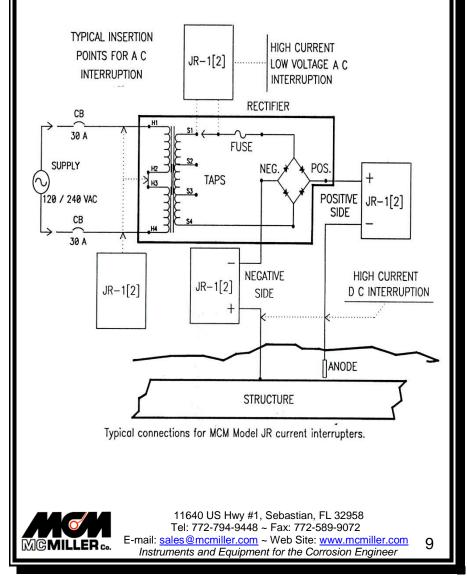
### Installation of the Interrupter in the Rectifier

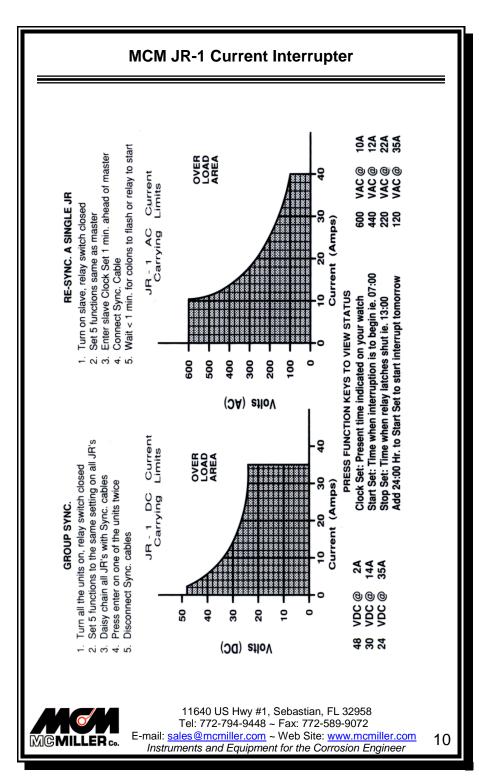
In general, it is physically easier to interrupt across the taps of the rectifier. In addition the tap location is best because breaking AC causes less wear on the relay. This is due to the AC crossing zero volts and extinguishing the arc, whereas DC depends on the distance of the gap to extinguish the arc. The next best location to interrupt is the AC power supply. The DC side may also be interrupted at the anode or structure leads (+) or (-) output of the rectifier. When using the JR-2, the polarity should be observed to



reduce wear of the plating on the plunger of the mercury relay.

**Warning:** Always observe the proper safety procedures when working on electrical equipment. Turn off all live wires before inserting the current interrupter.





#### Example 1: Delayed Start – Interruption Begins Later

The units will be put in place <u>before</u> the interruption cycle begins. In other words, the units will be synched <u>before</u> the **Start** cycle time has occurred.

It is 7:00AM and the JR-1's are in one location ready to be synched. They will be installed in the rectifiers before 8:00AM. At 8:00AM, the JR-1's will start their On / Off cycle and remain cycling until 5:00PM the same evening. At this time, the JR-1's will shut the relay and wait until 8:00AM the next morning before resuming interruption.

**Test Requirements:** On Cycle -2 seconds; Off Cycle -.5 second.

**Work Schedule:** Start at 8:00AM, Stop at 5:00PM, and repeat for XXX days, as necessary.

The present time is 7 :00AM

Procedure - All Units	Display Reading
1. Power Switch ON	PASS

- 2. Start Relay-Closed PASS
- 3. Press START SET, 8,0,0, ENTER (8AM) 8:00
- 4. Press STOP SET (6),1,7,0,0 ENTER(5PM) 17:00
- 5. Press ON CYCLE, 2,0, ENTER (2 sec) 2.00
- 6. Press OFF CYCLE, 5, ENTER (0.5 sec) ,50



- 7. Interconnect SYNC jacks on all units, daisy chain fashion.
- 8. Press CLOCK SET, 7, 0,1 ENTER 7:01
- 9. When present time (your wrist watch) reads 7:01,

press ENTER once on one unit only 7:01

10. At 7:02AM, all units will begin running as evidenced

by a flashing colon (:).

The sync cables may now be removed and the JR-1s distributed to their various locations for installation. Testing may begin at 8:00AM.

### Example 2: Immediate Start – Cycle Begins Now

The JR-1's will be put in place <u>after</u> interruption cycle begins. In other worlds, the units will be synched <u>after</u> the **Start** cycle time has occurred.

It is 2:30 in the afternoon and the JR-1s are in one location ready to be synched. They will be installed in the rectifiers later. The JR-1's will start their On/Off cycle immediately and remain cycling until 5:00PM in the evening. At that time, they will shut the relay and wait until 8:00AM the next morning before resuming interruption.

Test Requirements: On Cycle -2 sec.; Off Cycle -.5 sec.

**Work Schedule:** Start 8:00AM, Stop 5:00PM, and repeat for XXX days, as necessary.

The present time is 2:30AM



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Procedure - All Units Disp	lay Reading
1. Power Switch ON	PASS
2. Start Relay Switch Closed	PASS
3. Press START SET, 8,0,0, ENTER (8AM)	8:00
4. Press STOP SET (6), 1,7,0,0, ENTER (5	PM) 17:00
5. Press ON CYCLE, 2,0, ENTER (2 sec)	2.00
6. Press OFF CYCLE, 5, ENTER (0.5 sec)	.50
<ol> <li>Interconnect "SYNC" jacks on all chain fashion.</li> </ol>	units, daisy
8. Press CLOCK SET, 1,4,3,2. (2:32PM) (press ENTER)	14:32
<ol><li>When present time (your wrist watch) rea press ENTER once on one unit only.</li></ol>	ds 2:32PM, 14:32
10. At 14:32, all units will display	LOCh #

This is a countdown operation to show that the units are performing a calculation. When the calculation is complete, all the units will immediately commence cycling. Since the relays are now in operation, try to maintain them in an upright position during transport and installation.



### Example 3: Extended Delayed Start (Next Day)

Test Requirements: Same as Example I.

Work Schedule: Testing to begin 8:00AM the next morning.

Present Time: 1:30PM

Procedure: With the following exceptions, follow Example 1.

#### **Display Reading**

1. Press **START SET**, 3, 2, 0, 0, **ENTER** 32:00

In short, add 24:00 to desired start time, i.e.

31:00 would be 7:00AM plus 24 hours = 31:00

#### Miscellaneous Features:

If STOP SET is not desired, (continuous cycling), program

**STOP SET** to an illegal time, i.e., 24:01.

To create a "MASTER" unit which never starts cycling, program **STOP SET** to equal **START SET**.

#### Correcting Keypad Entry Errors:

Press the letter **O** until display reads 00:00. Enter the correct numeric sequence.

EXAMPLE: 1,3,0 was entered for 1:30PM. Press the letter **O** four times, and then press 1,3,3,0 **ENTER**. The correct entry reads 13:30.



### Example 4: Re-Synchronizing a Model JR-1

Suppose there are five JR-1s in the field and one is accidentally turned off and needs to be restarted and resynchronized. All the units could be brought back to a single location, daisy chained together, and started as in example 1 or 2. This procedure will work, but is rather inefficient. Therefore, the JR-1s are constructed so that any one of the operating units may be used as a master to restart the failed slave unit. Simply take the slave unit to the working master location and follow the procedure below. The JR-1s automatically output a trigger pulse to the SYNC receptacle once a minute when running.

#### Procedure:

- 1. Turn the slave unit to be resynched OFF, and then ON.
- Check or set the functions on the slave to the same as those on the master. Press the function key on both the master and the slave to display their settings.
  - a. START SET;
  - b. ON CYCLE;
  - c. OFF CYCLE;
  - d. STOP SET;
  - e. START RELAY SWITCH CLOSED.
- 3. Press **CLOCK SET** on the slave and enter a time, which is a minute or two ahead of the MASTER.



- Press ENTER and then connect the SYNC cable when less than one minute remains between CLOCK SET and the time shown on Master Unit. Display the master time by pressing CLOCK SET on the master.
- 5. Remove SYNC cable when the display shows some activity, such as a flashing colon, or **LOCh #.**
- 6. The slave is now resynched and may be returned to service.

**NOTE:** The above method may be used to synch the JR-1s one at a time, as needed. For example, if there were 6 JR-1s to be installed over a long distance by one individual. One JR-1 could be started and kept in the vehicle as a master. At each location, a single JR-1 could be started and installed using the above method.

#### **Maintenance**

A few routine maintenance steps will insure the maximum life for your JR-1.

- A. Maintain the battery in as near a fully charged state as possible;
- B. There is no requirement to observe polarity when interrupting DC.



# <u>Repairs</u>

With the exception of the battery and the relay, there are no field replaceable parts in the JR-1. No one other than qualified electronic technicians should attempt servicing the JR-1. Contact M. C. Miller Co., Inc. if a problem arises.

### **Relay Replacement**

The relay used in the JR-1 is designed with two sets of contacts. Only one set is used at a time. Therefore, if one set becomes damaged or wears out, it is possible to reverse the relay to utilize the second set.

The following instructions describe the procedure for replacing a relay and for reversing one to make use of the spare contact set.

To replace a RELAY (see diagram at the end of this manual).

- 1. Carefully remove all wire connectors from the relay;
- 2. Remove the two 6-32 mounting screws and lift out the relay;
- Install the new relay in accordance with the diagram. Be certain to position the relay so that the letters "POS" that is stamped on the frame is located as shown on the diagram.

**Warning:** When installing the terminal connectors, be very careful not to bend the relay frame inward. This can result in a shorted relay.



# To Reverse A Relay

See **Diagram B** at the end of this manual.

- 1. Carefully remove all wire connectors from the relay;
- 2. Remove the two 6-32 mounting screws and lift out the relay;
- 3. Rotate the relay 180 degrees. Be sure the spare contacts are located next to the terminal connectors;
- 4. Connect all wires as shown in the diagram.

**Warning:** When installing the terminal connectors, be very careful not to bend the relay frame inward. This can result in a shorted relay.

### Low Battery Indication

When the battery has discharged to a factory-set level, a **LO BAT** indication will display in the upper left portion of the display window. Approximately two hours of operating time remains when the indicator displays.

# Wall Plug-In Transformer

This JR-1 is supplied with a slide switch selectable input voltage of 120VAC or 240VAC, 50 or 60Hz. For safety, a thermal circuit breaker is built in. This will automatically reset when the JR-1 is cool. The output to the JR-1 charger receptacle is 12VDC at 1.25A.



**Note:** The JR-1 and JR-2 RND battery chargers are **NOT** interchangeable. The JR-1 is an 8VAC charger for its 6VDC battery. The JR-2 RND is a 15VAC charger for its 12VDC battery.

#### Charging the Battery

Power for the JR-1 is furnished by a sealed lead acid gel-cell battery.

A unique charging circuit, designed to maximize battery life, will quickly return the battery to a state of full charge. The front panel indicator, displaying state-of-charge, will be **RED** during the fast charge stage. When 80% of battery capacity is attained, the charging indicator will turn **GREEN** through the float stage and remain **GREEN** for the trickle stage. Charging may take place during operation or storage, periodically, or on a continuous basis. If continuous charging during storage is performed, the circuit will automatically maintain a full charge, regardless of the temperature. Normal recharge times will be 3 -5 hours for fast charge and 2 -4 hours for float

#### **Replacement Parts**

Battery 6 Volt, AH MCM Battery Charger, 9VDC @ 1.25A Part # BAT600 Part # BAT595



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