

Carmanah KAMR-SL-M550-W

Carmanah 550 Solar Powered Lantern User Manual

Model: KAMR-SL-M550-W

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your Carmanah 550 Solar Powered Lantern, model KAMR-SL-M550-W. This self-contained solar light is designed for various applications, including marine navigation aids, barge lights, and general safety markers.

The Carmanah 550 is engineered with state-of-the-art technology, offering a reliable, low-maintenance, and environmentally friendly lighting solution. Its robust design ensures clean performance and durability in demanding environments.

2. PRODUCT FEATURES

- Self-contained solar power system, eliminating the need for external wiring or power sources.
- Smooth domed top for efficient solar charging and easy cleaning.
- Durable, rugged, and totally sealed construction for long-term performance.
- Equipped with an LED light source for extended lifespan and energy efficiency.
- Features 40 distinct flash patterns for versatile application.
- Integrated battery backup provides up to 3 weeks of operation without direct sunlight.
- Designed for compact and easy installation.

3. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The Carmanah 550 Solar Powered Lantern is designed for straightforward installation. Proper placement is crucial for optimal performance and solar charging.

3.1. Site Selection

Choose a location that receives maximum direct sunlight throughout the day, free from obstructions such as buildings, trees, or other structures that could cast shadows on the solar panel. Ensure the location is stable and secure for mounting.

3.2. Mounting

The lantern features two mounting holes in its base for secure attachment. While the mounting type is described as "Tabletop Mount," this refers to mounting on any flat, stable surface. Use appropriate fasteners (not included) for the chosen mounting surface.



This image displays the Carmanah 550 Solar Powered Lantern. It features a white base with two mounting holes, a clear ribbed lens, and a dark, smooth domed top which houses the solar panel.

3.3. Initial Charge

Before initial use, allow the lantern to charge in direct sunlight for at least 24-48 hours to ensure the internal battery is fully charged. The lantern will automatically begin operation once sufficient charge is accumulated and ambient light levels drop.

4. OPERATION

The Carmanah 550 Solar Powered Lantern is designed for automatic, maintenance-free operation once installed and charged.

4.1. Automatic Activation

The lantern features an integrated light sensor that automatically activates the light at dusk and deactivates it at dawn. No manual switching is required for daily operation.

4.2. Flash Patterns

The unit is pre-programmed with 40 different flash patterns. Specific instructions for selecting or changing flash patterns are not provided in the product description. Refer to the manufacturer's official documentation or contact support for advanced configuration if needed.

4.3. Battery Backup

The internal Lithium-Ion battery provides reliable power even during periods of low sunlight. A fully charged battery can sustain operation for up to 3 weeks without sun exposure, ensuring continuous visibility.

5. MAINTENANCE

The Carmanah 550 is designed for low maintenance. Regular cleaning of the solar panel is the primary maintenance task.

5.1. Cleaning the Solar Panel

Periodically clean the smooth domed top (solar panel) with a soft, damp cloth to remove dust, dirt, bird droppings, or other debris. A clean solar panel ensures efficient charging and optimal performance. Avoid abrasive cleaners or harsh chemicals.

5.2. Battery and Bulb Replacement

The lantern is designed with a long-life LED light source and an internal battery that typically lasts 5-8 years. There are no user-replaceable bulbs or batteries, significantly reducing maintenance requirements and costs.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If your Carmanah 550 Solar Powered Lantern is not functioning as expected, consider the following common issues:

- **Light Not Activating at Dusk:**
 - Ensure the solar panel is clean and free of obstructions.
 - Verify the lantern is receiving adequate direct sunlight throughout the day. Relocate if necessary.
 - Allow for a full 24-48 hour initial charge period if newly installed or after prolonged storage.
- **Dim or Intermittent Light:**
 - This often indicates insufficient charging. Clean the solar panel and ensure maximum sun exposure.
 - The battery may be low. Allow several days of full sunlight for the battery to fully recharge.
- **Physical Damage:**
 - Inspect the unit for any visible damage. While rugged, extreme impacts can affect performance.

If issues persist after performing these checks, contact Carmanah customer support for further assistance.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

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| Model Number | KAMR-SL-M550-W |
| Light Source Type | Light Emitting Diode (LED) |
| Power Source | Solar Powered |
| Battery Type | Lithium-Ion |
| Brightness (Peak Intensity) | 26 Candela |
| Range | 3 Nautical Miles (NM) |
| Color | White |
| Flash Patterns | 40 |
| Mounting Holes | 2 (Two) |
| Weight | 0.8 lbs |
| Expected Life Cycle | 5-8 years |

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT


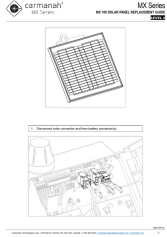

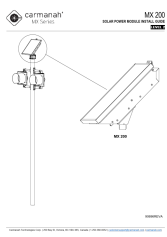
8.1. Warranty Information

The Carmanah 550 Solar Powered Lantern comes with a Three Year limited warranty. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims. For full details regarding warranty terms and conditions, refer to the official Carmanah warranty statement or contact Carmanah customer service.

8.2. Customer Support

For technical assistance, troubleshooting beyond this manual, or warranty inquiries, please contact Carmanah customer support. Contact information can typically be found on the manufacturer's official website or product packaging.

Related Documents

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|  | <p>Carmanah 800 Series Lanterns User Manual</p> <p>User manual for Carmanah's 800 Series solar-powered LED lanterns, covering installation, programming, charging, maintenance, and troubleshooting. Includes technical specifications and safety information.</p> |
|  | <p>Carmanah MX 100 Solar Panel Replacement Guide MX Series</p> <p>Step-by-step instructions for replacing the solar panel on a Carmanah MX 100 unit. Includes detailed guidance and textual descriptions of diagrams.</p> |
|  | <p>Carmanah SPEEDCHECK-12 Solar Charge Controller Replacement Guide</p> <p>Detailed guide for replacing the solar charge controller in Carmanah SPEEDCHECK-12 solar-powered traffic signs, including safety, components, tools, and step-by-step installation instructions.</p> |
|  | <p>Carmanah MX 200 Solar Power Module Installation Guide</p> <p>Comprehensive installation guide for the Carmanah MX 200 Solar Power Module, detailing setup, wiring, troubleshooting, and best practices for traffic safety systems.</p> |