All About Anderson Connectors



What are Anderson Connectors?

- Commonly available polarized connector for power supply and other connections.
- Available in multiple colors
- Available in multiple current capacities (15,30 and 45 amp ratings (same connector housing, different contact pins)
- Crimp on or Solder on
- Larger versions available for 60 or more amps.

Advantages of Anderson Connectors

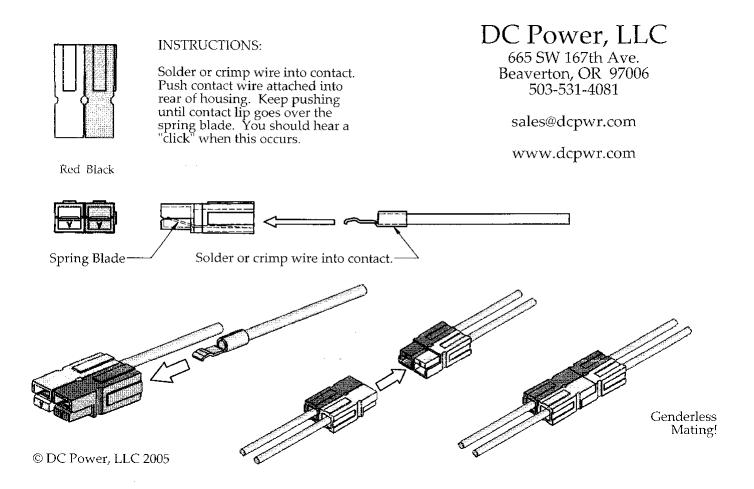
- Easy connect and disconnect equipment.
- Standardization for ARES deployment kits/go bags.
- Standard for other field events like Field Day
- A properly assembled they can not be reverse connected.

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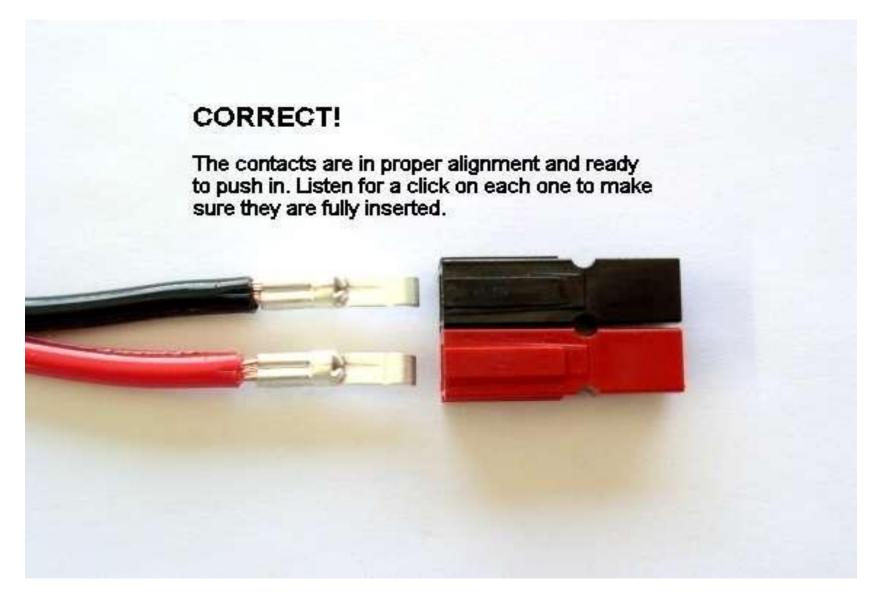
- The plastic housing is available in multiple colors-Red Black, Green, Blue, yellow a and orange (for DC power it is recommended that you use only red and black).
- When assembled properly it is not possible to connect two devices with improper polarity.
- Connector pins available for 15A, 30A and 45A.



Instruction Sheet From Connector Package

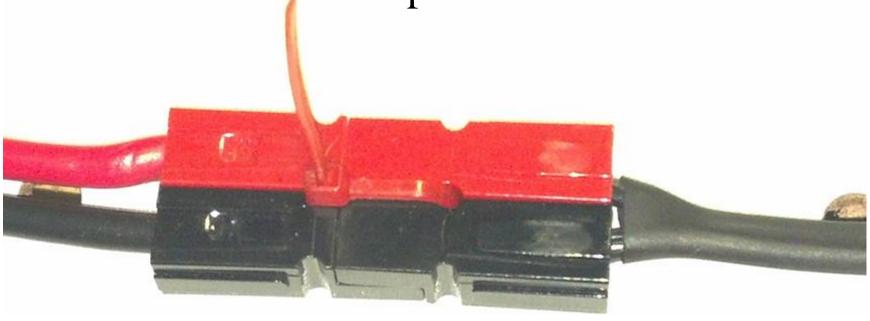


Assembling the connector

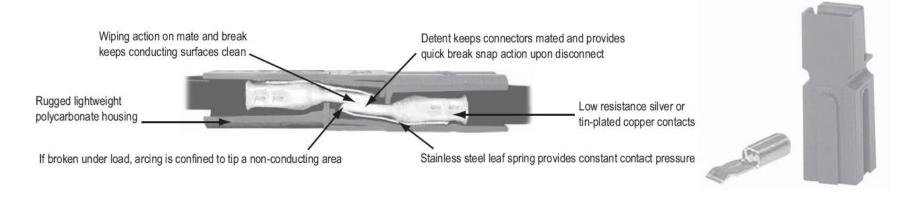


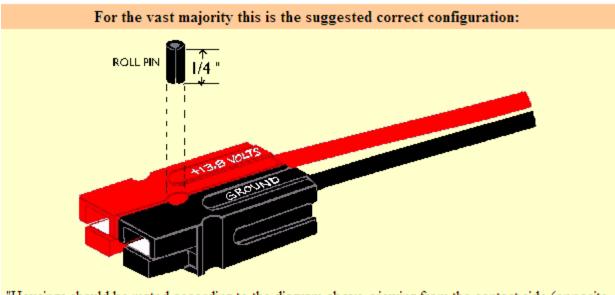
Preventing Connector Disconnect

Use a nylon tie wrap to prevent assidental disconnects if cable is pulled



Anderson Power pole Connectors





"Housings should be mated according to the diagram above, viewing from the contact side (opposite the wire side), tongue down, hood up, RED on the LEFT, BLACK on the RIGHT. Also notice the 3/32-inch-diameter roll pin, 1/4 inch long, is used to keep the housings from sliding apart."

Some Applications and the Crimping Tool







Sources for connectors

Allied Electronics http://www.alliedelec.com/

• DC Power LLC <u>www.dcpwr.com</u> <u>Anderson Power Power Pole</u>

Jameco Electronics http://www.jameco.com/

Ham Radio Outlet http://www.hamradio.com/

Newark Electronics http://www.newark.com/

Power-werx http://www.powerwerx.com/ Anderson Power Pole

Radio Shack <u>www.raddioshack.com</u>