

## Solar Energy South Africa

# Beware of rooftop solar power scams



## Overview

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The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau recently warned solar customers about hidden fees and deceptive statements about the financial benefits of solar. Rooftop solar has a fraud problem. How do you identify a solar panel company to avoid scams?

These tactics may include persistent calls, scare tactics, door-to-door visits, or making unfounded claims about solar benefits. Companies employing such methods prioritize sales over delivering quality service. These are the red flags to identify solar panel companies to avoid scams. Also See: Do You Still Have an Electric Bill With Solar Panels?

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Are solar panels a scam?

This isn't so much the sign of a scam as it is a word of caution and advice: solar installers should give you a lot of information when providing a quote, including things like model numbers of the solar panels they plan to use. For example, some quotes we've seen just say things like " Qcells panels " or " REC panels ".

Should you choose a solar company to avoid scams?

A lengthy history of lawsuits is another red flag when considering a solar company to avoid scams. These legal issues could involve poor workmanship, unfulfilled promises, or fraudulent practices. Prior to choosing a solar provider, thorough research into any existing lawsuits or complaints is essential.

What are the most common solar scams?

Here are some common scams to be aware of: 1. Fake Solar Companies Some scammers create fake solar companies, selling solar panel systems without any intention of installing them. They may ask for a big upfront payment and then vanish without doing any work. 2. Identity Theft Scams.

Are 'fake' solar companies a scam?

Beware of any company asking you to make a big deposit before they have completed their installation. This is one of the most common ways 'fake' solar companies have targeted consumers - whereby they take a hefty deposit and then never turn up to carry out the installation. This is common solar scam.

Are solar panel scams common in Florida and California?

Solar panel scams in Florida and California are quite common, as they are in any region where solar energy is popular and incentives are provided. Scammers take advantage of people's limited knowledge about solar systems, providing misleading information that makes it hard for victims to recognize the scam.

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### Beware of the Scams & Lies Behind Cheap Power Stations

2 ???· The Four Main Reasons Why You Should Be Skeptical of Cheap Power Station Brands . While there are countless reasons why you should always do your research before you drop ...

### Solar energy is rising in popularity. So are the scams

Here's how to steer clear of the scams: Do some research. Avoid solar companies that say a government program will cover the whole cost of solar panels -- or say they're from (or affiliated with) the government. ...



### Common Solar Scams and How to Avoid Them

You can be an informed solar shopper and increase your chances of avoiding scammers by being on the lookout for a few key things. Here are some of our recommendations for avoiding solar scams: Avoid "Get paid ...

### How to avoid getting burned by solar or clean energy ...

These scams start with an unexpected phone call, message on social, or even an in-person visit. The so-called official offers you an "energy audit" to reduce your utility costs. Or they might

try to sign you up for a "free" program to make your ...



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One of the major risks of permitting fraud is the potential for legal complications. If your solar installation is not properly permitted, you may face fines, penalties, or even forced system removal. These legal battles can be time-consuming, ...

## How to avoid getting burned by solar or clean energy ...

When temperatures rise, utility costs do, too. While reputable companies can help you save money with clean or solar energy improvements, scammers offer more than they can deliver. The scams vary, but here's the gist: someone claiming ...

Nominal Capacity  
**280Ah**  
Nominal Energy  
**50kW/100kWh**  
IP Grade  
**IP54**



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