

## Solar Energy South Africa

# Photovoltaic panel column specifications and dimensions drawing



## Overview

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How do I design a photovoltaic and solar hot water system?

Provide an architectural drawing and riser diagram for the homeowner showing the planned location for future photovoltaic and solar hot water system components. Space requirements and layout for photovoltaic and solar water heating system components should be taken into account early in the design process.

How much does a solar panel weigh?

Weight of solar panels: PV16-M10=25kg Where the panels are fitted into a pitched tiled roof, they are fixed directly above the roof battens with a uniformly distributed load of 12.8kg per m<sup>2</sup>. Roof structure modifications are unlikely to be necessary, as this is less than the weight of the replaced roof covering. Details of flashing-fixing see sheets 3 to 6. Redline show approximate extent of tiles.

How much space does a photovoltaic module occupy?

Photovoltaic modules installed on a sloping roof or facade occupy an area of approximately 8 m<sup>2</sup>/kWp. Photovoltaic modules installed on the ground or on a flat surface occupy an area of approximately 20 m<sup>2</sup>/kWp, avoiding shading between the rows of modules.

How much space does a photovoltaic system need?

Photovoltaic modules installed on the ground or on a flat surface occupy an area of approximately 20 m<sup>2</sup>/kWp, avoiding shading between the rows of modules. The design of a photovoltaic system, from the public operator's network to the photovoltaic modules, requires careful planning and compliance with local regulations.

How many photovoltaic power plants should be installed?

To provide sufficient supply for the global energy consumption, a cumulative amount of 18 TW of photovoltaic power plants should be installed. This means

the solar energy industry has a long way to reach to a point where at least 10% of the world energy consumption is generated by solar plants.

How do I determine acceptable inter-row spacing for solar panels?

The general rule of thumb for determining acceptable inter-row spacing is to arrange the PV modules in a way that allows for no shading at solar noon on the winter solstice. In some cases, detailed energy yield simulations and calculations may be warranted to achieve optimization between yield, shading, and the cost of land.

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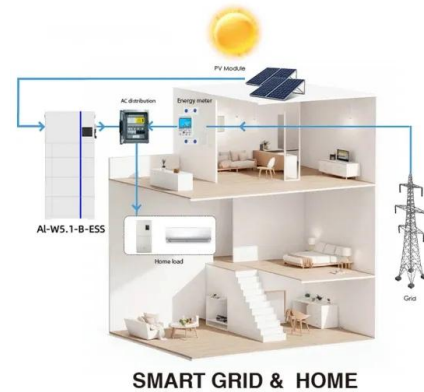


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### Architectural Drawings for Solar Photovoltaic Systems

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