

## Solar Energy South Africa

# Requirements for photovoltaic panels installed on poles



## Overview

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Are there building regulations for solar panels?

There are building regulations for solar panels, as there are for most home improvements. These government regulations are frequently updated to ensure that any alterations made to properties don't threaten the safety or health of people who live or work in them.

Do you need planning permission to install solar panels on your roof?

An increasing number of people are investing in solar energy. More and more homes are having solar panels, or solar tiles, installed on their roofs. Of course, with such installations, the topic of planning permission and building regulations often comes to the surface.

When did solar panels become a building regulation?

In 2005, household electrical work was absorbed into the UK government's official Building Regulations. A year later, the Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Act 2006 brought microgeneration systems like solar panels under the umbrella of the Building Regulations. Should you receive a building regulations certificate for your solar panels?

Do I need a building regulations certificate for my solar panel system?

You should receive a building regulations certificate, known as a completion certificate, for your solar panel system. This certificate will assure you and any future owners that the work met all building regulations, which will make it much easier to sell your property at any point.

What are the requirements for a PV installation?

Virtually all domestic PV installations will fall under the scope of Part P. Part P requires the relevant Building Control department to be notified and approve

the work. There are two routes to comply with the requirements of Part P: Notify the relevant Building Control department before starting the work.

Can a solar panel be installed on a roof?

If you wish to install a solar panel on your roof building regulations will normally apply. The ability of the existing roof to carry the load (weight) of the panel will need to be checked and proven. Some strengthening work may be needed. Building regulations also apply to other aspects of the work such as electrical installation.

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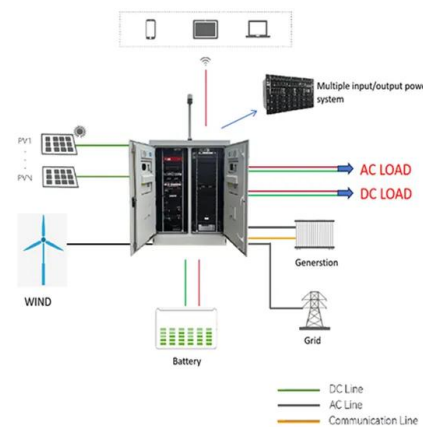


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