

Solar Power Plant Directive



Overview

The EU is advancing solar energy integration in buildings through a revision of the EPBD. From 2026, new constructions must be designed to accommodate solar installations, while public and commercial buildings undergoing major renovations will be required to include solar systems. The revised Energy Performance of Buildings Directive will speed up the uptake of solar photovoltaics and solar thermal – both on residential and non-residential buildings – and increase the possibilities of self-consumption and energy sharing. The EU Solar Standard is an opportunity to use existing, readily available artificial structures to generate renewable electricity while lowering consumers' energy costs. Rooftop PV installations offer long-term independence from power markets, while providing net financial benefits. Its goal: The European building stock is to become climate-neutral by 2050 – a sector which, according to the EPBD analysis, accounts for around 36 percent of energy-related greenhouse. The European Union's NIS2 Directive is pushing PV operators to strengthen both cyber and physical security, treating solar assets as critical infrastructure. It also highlights the need for stronger physical protection measures, such as site surveillance, access control, and perimeter security. Today, European legislators adopted the EU Solar Standard in the European Parliament within the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive.



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European Parliament approves legal requirement to

The directive is aiming to help reduce energy consumption and greenhouse-gas emissions in the EU's building sector, as it works towards

EU Solar Standard

EU Solar Standard Solar PV industry recommendations for the national implementation of Article 10 of the 2024 Energy Performance of Buildings Directive 17 July 2025

Buildings

The new law is set to require solar installations on buildings across the European Union. This means that solar installations must be integrated into building works, and public bodies must

Solar energy in the EU

EU measures to boost solar energy include making the installation of solar panels on the rooftops of new buildings obligatory within a specific timeframe, streamlining permitting procedures for renewable

Directive

Directive (EU) 2023/2413 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 October 2023 amending Directive (EU) 2018/2001, Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 and Directive 98/70/EC as

European Parliament approves legal requirement to install solar on ...

Legislation that would require EU member states to integrate solar installations into future building works, and retroactively install PV on buildings, is one step closer to becoming law, after...

Renewable Energy Directive

Renewable Energy Directive The revised Renewable Energy Directive sets a target of a 42.5 % share of renewables in EU energy consumption by 2030, with additional targets for sectors such as transport,

Solar energy in buildings

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How EU NIS2 is reshaping physical and cybersecurity for PV plant ...

In force since January 2023, the European Union's NIS2 Directive has significantly increased security requirements for operators of critical infrastructure, including energy systems such

Solar Panel Regulations in the European Union: An

Solar panels imported or manufactured in the European Union are subject to various regulations, directives and standards. Ensuring compliance

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EU mandates solar energy in buildings from 2026

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New European directive 2024 on Energy Performance

In April 2024, the European Parliament adopted a transformative directive that mandates solar installations on buildings across Europe: the

Enabling framework for renewables

To simplify permitting processes for renewable energy projects, facilitate power purchase agreements and empower citizens.

Energy Performance Buildings Directive

Article 10 of the directive requires Member States to ensure that new buildings are designed to optimize their solar energy generation potential and ensure the installation of solar

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