



City of Foster City

Community Development Department, Building Division
610 Foster City Blvd., Foster City, CA 94404

Eligibility Checklist for Solar PV Rooftop Systems for One- and Two- Family Dwellings

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. System size is 10 kW AC CEC rating or less Y N
- B. The solar array is roof-mounted on one- or two-family dwelling or accessory structure Y N
- C. The solar panel/module arrays will not exceed the maximum legal building height Y N
- D. Solar system is utility interactive and without battery storage Y N
- E. The solar panel/module arrays are set clear of plumbing and mechanical vents Y N
- F. Permit application is completed and attached Y N

ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

- No more than four photovoltaic module strings are connected to each Maximum PowerPoint Tracking (MPPT) input where source circuit fusing is included in the inverter Y N
- 1) No more than two strings per MPPT input where source circuit fusing is not included Y N
 - 2) Fuses (if needed) are rated to the series fuse rating of the PV module Y N
 - 3) No more than one noninverter-integrated DC combiner is utilized per inverter Y N
- A. For central inverter systems: No more than two inverters are utilized Y N
 - B. The PV system is interconnected to a single-phase AC service panel of nominal 120/220 Vac with a bus bar rating of 225 A or less. Y N
 - C. The PV system is connected to the load side of the utility distribution equipment Y N
 - D. A Solar PV Standard Plan and supporting documentation is completed and attached Y N
 - E. *No ferrous or nonferrous metallic portions of the electrical system shall be in direct contact with the earth.* Y N

STRUCTURAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. A completed Structural Criteria and supporting documentation is attached (if required) Y N

FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- A. Clear access pathways provided Y N
- B. Fire classification solar system is provided Y N
- C. All required markings and labels are provided Y N
- D. A diagram of the roof layout of all panels, modules, clear access pathways and approximate locations of electrical disconnecting means and roof access points is completed and attached Y N

Notes:

1. *These criteria are intended for expedited solar permitting process.*
2. *If any items are checked NO, revise design to fit within Eligibility Checklist, otherwise permit application shall go through standard process.*