

## SolarInnovate Energy Solutions

# Is it safe to install photovoltaic panels on rural roofs



## Overview

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Can photovoltaic panels be installed on a building roof?

The installation of photovoltaic panels on a building roof or integral with a building roof also raises other code issues (e.g., roof loading, wind loading, fire ratings, weather tightness, mounting systems, roof penetrations, etc.), which may also be relevant for systems mounted on or integral to a wall.

Should you consider installing PV panels on your roof?

Anyone considering PV panels should look beyond the capital cost and payback periods to the impact the installation could have on their roof. The first issue to consider is the additional loads that the panels will impose. The average panel weighs in at around 15kg per square metre.

Can you build a solar farm on agricultural land?

While obtaining planning consent for ground-mounted solar farms on agricultural land can be challenging – Andrew Shirley, our Head of Rural Research, advises it can “easily take ten years to get a scheme off the ground” - rural properties often feature large barns with roofs suitable for solar panel installations.

Is solar energy a good option for rural landowners?

Solar energy generation is an attractive option for rural landowners due to its ease of implementation and scalability. Unlike wind or hydro projects, solar farms can usually be set up quickly and are less reliant on specific geographical conditions.

What is rooftop solar & how does it work?

Rooftop solar has minimal impact on the surrounding environment and ecosystems. Biosolar roofs (rooftop solar combined with a green roof) also promotes biodiversity and can be combined with regenerative agricultural practices, further enhancing the sustainability of rural estates.

Should you install a ground-mounted solar farm?

In return, the installer benefits from the electricity generated, while the farm enjoys energy at a lower rate than standard tariffs. Ground-mounted solar farms, while more challenging to install, come with the added benefit that renewable developers will pay the landowner a considerable rent.

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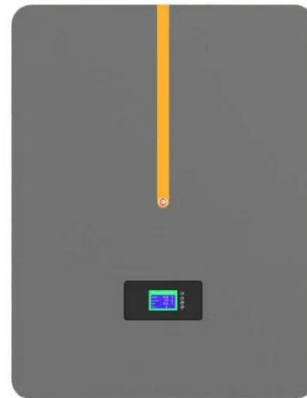


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