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N Djamena single-glass photovoltaic module glass





Overview

Why is glass/glass photovoltaic (G/G) module construction so popular?

Glass/glass (G/G) photovoltaic (PV) module construction is quickly rising in popularity due to increased demand for bifacial PV modules, with additional applications for thin-film and building-integrated PV technologies.

Do PV modules have tempered glass?

Among the current module products on the market, only single-glass modules are equipped with tempered glass. The choice of front and shear materials is critical in determining the module's ability to withstand hail impacts. Over the past decade, the PV industry has experienced a great revolution.

What is a glass-glass module?

Glass-Glass module designs are an old technology that utilises a glass layer on the back of modules in place of traditional polymer backsheets. They were heavy and expensive allowing for the lighter polymer backsheets to gain the majority of the market share at the time.

Why should you choose glass in a PV module?

The choice of glass in a PV module has become a key consideration in efforts to improve durability in the face of extreme weather conditions.

What changes are incorporated in glass-glass modules?

Another major change that is also incorporated for glass-glass modules is swapping EVA for polyolefins as an encapsulant. This is due to the free radicals produced during the cross-linking lamination process of EVA. While traditional backsheets are somewhat permeable to the free radicals, the double-glass module is not.

Can tempered glass be used in solar modules?



The only feasible way for tempered glass to be widely used in solar modules is its application in single-glass modules. The prevailing benchmark for hail resistance, which stipulates that solar modules must be capable of withstanding impacts from hailstones up to 35mm in diameter, may fall short in areas frequently subjected to larger hailstones.



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