



# Legal and compliant construction of photovoltaic panels

Are photovoltaic solar energy systems safe?

The safe and reliable installation of photovoltaic (PV) solar energy systems and their integration with the nation's electric grid requires timely development of the foundational codes and standards governing solar deployment.

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.

Can a rooftop solar PV system be installed on a building?

The vast majority of rooftop solar PV systems are installed on existing structures. Even though very few of these buildings were constructed specifically for installing solar equipment,many of them are well suited for PV systems.

What conditions should a roof support a photovoltaic panel system?

Roof structures that support photovoltaic panel systems shall be designed to resist each of the following conditions: 1. Applicable uniform and concentrated roof loads with the photovoltaic panel system dead loads.

What are the UL requirements for a photovoltaic system?

Photovoltaic panels and modules shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 1703. Inverters shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 1741. Systems connected to the utility grid shall use inverters listed for utility interaction. RS402.2 (R324.4) Rooftop-mounted photovoltaic systems.

Can a restrictive covenant protect a solar energy collector?

into the solar sky space, such as another building or trees. A restrictive covenant can accomplish this as well by providing that no solar energy collector shall be shaded by any building, vegetation, or obs



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