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### Photovoltaic panel metering rules

Which side of a PV system meets the utility metering requirements?

b) The AC side of the PV system (between the inverter and the utility meter) meets the utility's safety requirements (labeling, location of equipment, connection to electric panel). c) The power and energy generated meet net metering program requirements.

#### Does net metering apply to solar?

Net metering doesn't just apply to solar, either. Solar net metering is by far the most common type, but depending on the net metering rules in your state, you may be able to net meter with other types of distributed generation systems, like wind turbines. Do net metering credits expire? How do electricity bills work with net metering?

Are solar customers grandfathered into their net metering policy?

This is a big one: existing solar customers - and people who went solar before NEM 3.0 went into effect (through April 14) - were grandfathered into their original net metering policy. Solar shoppers who submitted interconnection applications after April 14, 2023, fall under NEM 3.0.

#### Can a solar meter be connected to a utility meter?

The customer's system must adhere to National Electric Code (NEC) Article 690 - Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Systems. Interconnections with the utility transformer or in the meter can are not permitted. Customer generation is limited to 90 percent of the FPL service capacity. FPL will upsize facilities for customer generation at the customer's expense.

#### How does a utility verify a photovoltaic system?

The utility will only permit the photovoltaic system to interact with the power grid after issuing a formal approval. The process through which a utility verifies a solar system's compliance with its technical and administrative requirements is commonly referred to as the interconnection process.

#### How did California's Net metering policy affect PG&E & SCE customers?

The changes to California's net metering policy cut the value of solar energy credits by about 75 percentfor PG&E,SCE,and SDG&E customers. This is a big one: existing solar customers - and people who went solar before NEM 3.0 went into effect (through April 14) - were grandfathered into their original net metering policy.

a) The power exported to the grid is measurable and compliant with the grid's standards regarding voltage, frequency, and power quality. b) The AC side of the PV system (between the inverter and the utility meter) meets the utility's safety ...



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