



**SolarMax Energy Systems**

**Swiss buildings should be equipped with solar systems**



## Overview

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Since January 2024, a legislative push requires all new buildings over 300 square meters to be equipped with solar systems. This bold decision marks the beginning of an era where solar energy becomes an essential component of Swiss architecture. Does Switzerland need a solar power system?

Hydropower, which accounted for 56% of the generation mix in 2023, has largely decarbonized Switzerland's electricity. This year, Swiss solar will provide 6 TWh of electricity, accounting for about 10% of annual consumption. By 2035, new renewable energy must supply 35 TWh per year, mostly from solar electricity.

What is the new Electricity Law in Switzerland?

About 68.72% of Swiss people have approved a new electricity law to accelerate renewable energy development. The law provides new incentives to develop PV. New buildings with a construction surface area of more than 300 m<sup>2</sup> must have solar installations on their roofs or facades.

How much solar energy is needed in Switzerland in 2024?

In Switzerland: Solar obligation for new buildings with more than 300 m<sup>2</sup> from 2024 (approx. 30% of new private buildings). The UReK-S (the Environment Commission of the Council of States) wants to accelerate the expansion of solar energy. According to the commission, electricity production urgently needs to be increased.

Can a solar system be installed on a building?

A solar system, e.g. a photovoltaic or heating system, must be installed on the roofs or facades. The cantons can also extend this obligation to buildings with an area of less than 300 m<sup>2</sup>. Article 45b additionally mentions that solar energy is to be used on federal infrastructure areas suitable for this purpose.

Who is responsible for energy policy in the building sector in Switzerland?

In fact, energy policy in the building sector in Switzerland is the responsibility of the cantons. Clarifications that the energy regulations between the cantons are to be harmonised as far as possible and adapted to the European framework.

Can a solar roof be installed in a new building?

All new residential buildings by 2029. In particular, the project supports integrated photovoltaic (BIPV) systems, such as the SunStyle solar roofs, both for new buildings and for the renovation of existing buildings.

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### What do you think about solar farms in the Swiss Alps?

Critics say there is plenty of potential to put solar panels on existing buildings and infrastructure, not in the mountains. What do you think?

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## Swiss say 'yes' to new law to expedite solar development

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## Construction in Switzerland: Sustainable Trends and Practices

Switzerland is a country with abundant natural resources, such as hydropower, solar power, and wind power. As a result, green buildings in Switzerland are often equipped with ...

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## Energy Law Quarterly Newsletter, October 2024: Solar obligation ...

Those cantons that have not yet introduced a solar obligation based on cantonal laws are now bound by the federal requirements. Accordingly, solar installations (e.g. ...

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## Solar energy from buildings

PV systems are today part of building skin systems. The building itself becomes active. Multifunctionality, both in performance and construction terms, along ...

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## Parliament agrees on solar obligation for buildings

The Swiss parliament has decided that in future solar panels must be installed on



large roofs and façades. This obligation applies to new buildings with more than 300 square ...

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## **Energy consumption of high-performance buildings: Design vs.**

The results per building are presented in Figure 1. Table 1: Energy performance gap per building standard in new buildings. Figure 2: Actual final energy consumption per retrofitted buildings in ...

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## **Solar plants in Switzerland**

The Swiss Spatial Planning Act stipulates that in construction as well as agricultural zones building permits are not required for "sufficiently unobtrusive" solar plants on ...

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## Why can't high-rise buildings be equipped with solar ...

1. STRUCTURAL LIMITATIONS The architectural design of high-rise buildings establishes an array of challenges particularly associated with ...

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## New homes and residential buildings in Tokyo must come equipped ...

New homes and residential buildings in Tokyo must come equipped with solar panels under a revised ordinance as of April 1. What do you think about this?  
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## Solar energy systems: Will they pay off for me?

Solar heating systems, by contrast, consist of solar collectors with thermal



energy storage. They produce hot water and support the heating ...

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## Swiss 2025 Energy Reform: A Turning Point for Buildings -- and ...

At the center of the reform is Article 45a of the Swiss Energy Act (EnG), which mandates the installation of solar systems on all new buildings with more than 300 m<sup>2</sup> of ...

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## Solar Roof vs. Solar Facade: A Comprehensive Comparison and ...

Advantages of Solar PV on the Facade:  
Additional Surfaces: Especially in tall buildings, facades offer much larger additional surfaces for solar energy use compared to roofs. High ...

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City Planning Cities incorporate solar energy into city zoning and building regulations. Decentralized Energy

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## Photovoltaics in Swiss construction: The future

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## Wind and solar energy: a renewable future for Switzerland

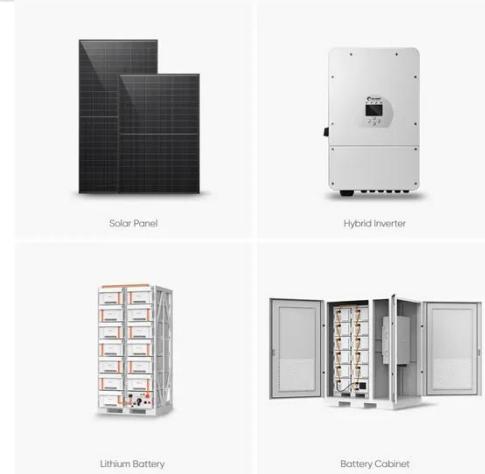
To allow solar energy to make a decisive contribution to the electricity mix of the future, solar panels will need to be installed on an area of around one million single-family-home roofs. The ...

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## Solar obligation in Switzerland

For such protected objects, a construction permit is always required for solar installations, even if otherwise solar installations are generally only subject to a reporting obligation.

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## Solar systems should be able to be installed without a building ...

Solar installations on buildings and



facilities are often blocked by monument preservation or local heritage commissions. A national popular initiative now wants to change ...

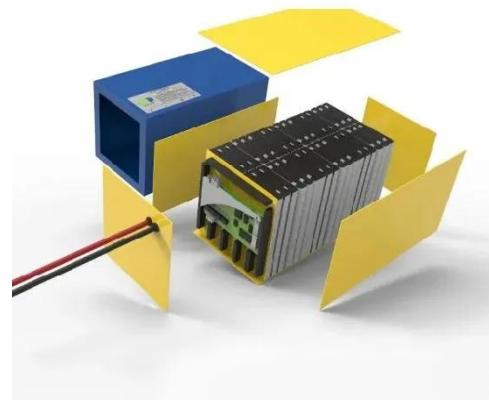
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