

CITY OF GENEVA SOLAR ENERGY FACT SHEET

General Regulations:

- Solar energy systems are permitted only as accessory to a principal building or use.
- Solar energy systems must be installed according to manufacturer specifications and in accordance with all applicable City codes and ordinances.
- Electric solar energy system components must have a UL listing.
- No grid-interconnected photovoltaic system shall be installed until evidence is provided to the City that the owner has submitted notification to the utility company of the customer's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned PV system. Off-grid systems are exempt from this requirement.
- The Fire Department, Electrical Division and Building Division must review and approve the installation of the PV System to verify compliance with all adopted codes and ordinances.

Roof/Building Mounted Solar Energy Systems:

- Roof/Building integrated and/or flush-mounted solar energy systems are permitted on any roof area that is structurally capable of handling PV system.
- All Roof/Building mounted systems must be approved by a design professional.

Ground Mounted Arrays:

- Prohibited in any recorded easements or in City ROW.
- Will count towards the allowable lot coverage in the district in which it is located.
- A design professional or system manufacturer will have to be involved in the anchoring of the array.
- The design, construction and installation of the array and associated equipment must follow all City adopted codes and ordinances
- Ground mounted arrays allowed in rear yards only.

Please contact the City of Geneva Building Division at (630) 262-0280 with questions regarding solar energy system regulations and installations.