

CLEAN ENERGY COUNCIL SOLAR ACCREDITATION



WHAT IS THE CLEAN ENERGY COUNCIL SOLAR ACCREDITATION SCHEME?



Clean Energy Council solar PV accreditation is a qualification that demonstrates competence in design and/or installation of stand-alone and grid-connected solar PV power systems.

Systems designed and installed by Clean Energy Council-accredited installers are eligible for government incentives and rebates. There are currently over 4000 accredited installers in Australia.

WHAT IS THE AIM OF THE ACCREDITATION SCHEME?

Accreditation with the Clean Energy Council gives installers access to continuous professional development and technical support to ensure the best possible standard of solar PV installations across Australia. By choosing an accredited installer, customers can feel confident that they will receive a high quality, safe and reliable solar PV system.

The accreditation scheme aims:

- to increase the uptake of solar PV power systems by giving customers increased confidence in the design and installation work
- to improve the safety, performance and reliability of solar PV power systems installed in the field
- to encourage industry best practice for all design and installation work involving solar PV power systems
- to give solar installers access to training opportunities to keep their skills up to date
- to maintain a network of competent solar PV systems designers and installers.

WHY SHOULD I BECOME CLEAN ENERGY COUNCIL-ACCREDITED?

- You will be listed on the solar accreditation website, the go-to place for consumers looking for an accredited solar installer.
- You can keep up-to-date with changes in the industry.
- Get access to expert technical advice and effective dispute resolution services.
- In Australia, your solar PV installations will be eligible for government rebates such as Small-scale Technology Certificates (STCs) and feed-in tariffs.
- Let your views be represented in front of the standards committee.
- Make sure your voice is heard by government and the regulators.
- Support the important work of the Clean Energy Council, including advocacy on behalf of the solar PV industry.



COMPLETE THE REQUIRED TRAINING



APPLY FOR YOUR PROVISIONAL ACCREDITATION



UPGRADE TO FULL ACCREDITATION



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HOW DO I BECOME ACCREDITED?

First, you will need to complete the relevant training units required for the type of accreditation you would like to apply for.

There are a number of registered training organisations (RTOs) that offer the units required for accreditation. A list of the required training units and RTOs can be found on our website.

Once you have completed your training, you can apply to become provisionally accredited by going to solaraccreditation.com.au and filling in our online form.

- You will need to include copies of your training certificates, electrical licence (if applying for grid-connect install), working at heights certification and public liability insurance (at least \$5 million). Your application will then be processed in three to five working days.
- Once everything has been approved, you will be sent an accreditation certificate with your new accreditation number via email.
- Your provisional accreditation lasts for three months. You can only apply for provisional accreditation once every 12 months.

- Before three months are up, you must apply to upgrade to full accreditation by completing the accreditation assessment to demonstrate competency in designing and installing solar systems.
- The accreditation assessment is made up of online tests and practical assessments.
- Once approved, your full accreditation lasts for one year after which time you can apply to renew.
- Once you have successfully completed one year as a fully accredited installer, you will move onto the Continuous Professional Development (CPD) scheme.
- Each year you will be required to complete 100 points of eligible training and professional development. This is to ensure installers keep up-to-date with changes in the industry, and also to give accredited installers access to the latest courses and training opportunities on offer.

CONTACT US

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ABOUT THE CLEAN ENERGY COUNCIL

The Clean Energy Council is the peak body for the clean energy industry in Australia.

We represent and work with hundreds of leading businesses operating in solar, wind, energy efficiency, hydro, bioenergy, energy storage, geothermal and marine along with more than 4000 solar installers.

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