Solar APP+

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH CALIFORNIA

NOW AVAILABLE

Contractors for Residential Solar Panel installation in the City of Newport Beach are now able to apply for permits online with the help of SolarAPP+, a web-based portal for residential solar energy system installations, developed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to automate project plan reviews, receive an automated permit, pay fees online, and schedule inspections.

WHY USE SOLARAPP+

SolarApp+ automates permitting for residential rooftop solar systems. SolarAPP+ asks the contractor a series of questions to verify the solar system's design is up to code, and then issues a permit automatically for installation to begin.

STEP 1
CHECK ELIGIBILITY
Refer to the eligibility checklist on the SolarAPP+ website to ensure you have everything necessary. For the list of requirements, visit - solarapp.nrel.gov.

STEP 2
SUBMIT
Visit SolarAPP+ to create an account and submit your application for automatic permit review. solarapp.nrel.gov

STEP 3
APPLY
Once you have your SolarAPP+ Approval Document apply for the solar permit using the City of Newport Beach Civic Portal. Once completed the permit will be auto-issued.

STEP 4
INSPECTIONS
When ready for inspection head over to your permit on the civic portal and use the inspection scheduler tab to schedule your inspection.

FAQ
For more information on the SolarApp+ click here.

CONTACT US
For questions please reach out to the permit counter. 949.718.1888

Links
NB Civic Portal
SolarApp+

nbca.gov   City Of Newport Beach

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Why Use SolarAPP+

Time Saving
SolarAPP+ has reduced permit timelines from as many as 20 business days to zero

Automated Review
Perform automated plan review with compliance checks, enabling instant approval for qualified systems

Cost Saving
Standardizing and automating the review process reduces costs and decreases the time to install, which results in more residents being able to install solar energy systems as they become more affordable.

STEPS

CHECK ELEGIBILTY

- Main dwelling rooftop, permitted, residential structures only
- Licensed Contractors Only
- Please review the SolarAPP+ Eligibility Checklist for acceptable projects

Submit for automated review through SolarAPP+.

- Register or sign in to SolarAPP+ at solarapp.nrel.gov
- Submit design
- Pay $25 administrative fee (per project)
- Download SolarAPP+ Approval Document

Submit SolarAPP+ Permit application to the City

- Apply for a permit online via the City of Newport Beach Civic Portal.
- Include the SolarAPP+ Approval Document and input the SolarAPP+ approval number to proceed.
- Follow the prompts to make payment online, print the provided permit documents.

Schedule Your Inspection

- Detailed instructions on how to schedule inspections online can be found HERE.

Questions

949-718-1888   https://help.solar-app.org/