

Planning and Development Building & Safety Division

Solar PV Standard Plan Central/String Inverter Systems for One- and Two-Family Dwellings

SCOPE: Use this plan ONLY for utility-interactive central/string inverter systems not exceeding a system AC inverter output rating of 10kW on the roof of a one- or two-family dwelling or accessory structure. The photovoltaic system must interconnect to the load side of a single-phase AC service panel of nominal 120/240Vac with a bus bar rating of 225A or less. This plan is not intended for bipolar systems, hybrid systems or systems that utilize storage batteries, charge controllers, trackers, more than two inverters or more than one DC combiner (noninverter-integrated) per inverter. Systems must be in compliance with current California Building Standards Codes and local amendments of the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ). Other Articles of the California Electrical Code (CEC) shall apply as specified in 690.3.

MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATION SHEETS MUST BE PROVIDED for proposed inverter, modules, combiner/junction boxes and racking systems. Installation instructions for bonding and grounding equipment shall be provided, and local AHJs may require additional details. Listed and labeled equipment shall be installed and used in accordance with any instructions included in the listing or labeling (CEC 110.3). Equipment intended for use with PV system shall be identified and listed for the application (CEC 690.4[D]).

Job Address:		_Permit #:					
Contractor/Engineer Name:		License # and Class:					
Signature:	Date:	Phone Number:					

Total # of Inverters installed: ______ (If more than one inverter, complete and attach the "Supplemental Calculation Sheets" and the "Load Center Calculations" if a new load center is to be used.)

Inverter 1 AC Output Power Rating: _____ Watts

Inverter 2 AC Output Power Rating (if applicable): ______Watts

	Combined Inverter C	Dutput Power Rating:	≤ 10	0,000 V	Vatts
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Location Ambient Temperatures (Check box next to which lowest expected temperature is used):

1)	Lowest expected	ambient temperature	for the location ((T,) =	Between -1° to	-5° C
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Lowest expected ambient	temperature for the location	T_L = Between -6° to -10° C
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Average ambient high temperature $(T_{H}) = 47^{\circ} C$

Note: For a lower T_L or a higher T_H , use the Comprehensive Standard Plan

DC Information:

Module Manufacturer:	Model:								
2) Module V _{oc} (from module nameplate):Volts	3) Module I _{sc} (from module nameplate):Amps								
4) Module DC output power under standard test conditions (STC) = Watts (STC)									

5) DC Module Layout																
Identify each source circuit (string) for inverter 1 shown on the roof plan with a Tag (e.g. A,B,C,) Number of modules per source circuit for inverter 1						Identify, by tag, which source circuits on the roof are to be paralleled (if none, put N/A)										
						Combiner 1:										
						Con	nbine	er 2:								
Total number of source circuits for inverter 1:																
6) Are DC/DC Converters used? Pes No If No, skip to Step 7. If Yes enter info below.																
DC/DC Converter Model #:	DC/DC Converter Model #: Volts															
Max DC Output Current: Amps						М	ax DC	Outp	ut Cur	rent:					_Volt	5
Max # of DC/DC Converters in an Input Circuit: DC/DC Converter Max DC Input Power: Watts																
7) Maximum System DC Voltage — Use A1 or A2 for systems without DC/DC converters, and B1 or B2 with DC/DC Converters.																
A1. Module V_{oc} (STEP 2) = x # in series (STEP 5) x 1.12 (If $-1 \le T_{L} \le -5^{\circ}C$, STEP 1) = V																
A2. Module V_{oc} (STEP 2) = x # in series (STEP 5) x 1.14 (If $-6 \le T_{L} \le -10^{\circ}C$, STEP 1) = V																
Table 1. Maximum Numbe	of PV N	lodules	s in Se	eries I	Based o	on Mo	dule R	ated \	/ _{oc} for	600 V	dc Rate	ed Equ	ipmer	nt (CEG	C 690.	7)
Max. Rated Module V _{oc} (*1.12 (Volt	. 29.70	31.5	1 33	8.48	35.71	38.27	41.2	1 44	.64 4	8.70	53.57	59.52	66.	96 7	6.53	89.29
Max. Rated Module V _{oc} (*1.14 (Volt		30.9	6 32	2.89	35.09	37.59	40.4	9 43	.86 4	7.85	52.63	58.48	65.	79 7	5.19	87.72
Max # of Modules for 600 Vd	c 18	17	:	16	15	14	13	1	12	11	10	9	8		7	6
Use for DC/DC converters. The va	lue calci	ulated I	oelow	/ mus	t be les	s than	DC/D	Cconv	verter r	nax D	C input	voltag	ge (STI	EP 6).		
B1. Module V _{oc} (STEP 2) =																V
B2. Module V_{oc} (STEP 2) =	×	# of m	odule	es per	conve	rter (S	FEP 6)		_x 1.1	L4 (If -	6 ≤ T _L ≤	≤-10°C	, STEF	1) = _		_V
Table 2. Largest Module V _{oc}	or Singl	e-Mod	ule D	C/DC	Conver	ter Co	nfigur	ations	s (with	80 V /	AFCI Ca	ap) (CE	C 690	.7 and	d 690.:	L1)
Max. Rated Module V _{oc} (*1.12 (Volt		33.0	35.7	38.4	41.1	43.8	46.4	49.1	51.8	54.5	57.1	59.8	62.5	65.2	67.9	70.5
Max. Rated Module V _{oc} (*1.14 (Volt	. 27.0	32.5	35.1	37.7	40.4	43.0	45.6	48.2	50.9	53.5	56.1	58.8	61.4	64.0	66.7	69.3
DC/DC Converter Max DC Inpu (Step #6) (Volt		37	40	43	46	49	52	55	58	61	64	67	70	73	76	79
8) Maximum System DC \ Maximum System DC \	-							verte	er —	Only	requ	ired i	f Yes	in St	tep 6	
9) Maximum Source Circu Is Module I _{sc} below 9.6			3)?		Yes		o (If I	No, u	se Co	ompr	ehens	sive S	tand	ard F	Plan)	

 10) Sizing Source Circuit Conductors Source Circuit Conductor Size = Min. #10 AWG copper conductor, 90° C wet (USE-2, PV Wire, XHHW-2, THWN-2, RHW-2) For up to 8 conductors in roof-mounted conduit exposed to sunlight at least ½" from the roof covering (CEC 310) Note: For over 8 conductors in the conduit or mounting height of lower than ½" from the roof, use Comprehensive Plan.
 11) Are PV source circuits combined prior to the inverter? Yes No If No, use Single Line Diagram 1 and proceed to Step 13. If Yes, use Single Line Diagram 2 with Single Line Diagram 4 and proceed to Step 12. Is source circuit OCPD required? Yes No Source circuit OCPD size (if needed): 15 Amps
12) Sizing PV Output Circuit Conductors — If a combiner box will NOT be used (Step 11), Output Circuit Conductor Size = Min. #6 AWG copper conductor
13) Inverter DC Disconnect Does the inverter have an integrated DC disconnect? Yes No If Yes, proceed to step 14. If No, the external DC disconnect to be installed is rated forAmps (DC) and Volts (DC)
14) Inverter Information Manufacturer: Model: Max. Continuous AC Output Current Rating:Amps Integrated DC Arc-Fault Circuit Protection? Yes No (If No is selected, Comprehensive Standard Plan) Grounded or Ungrounded System? Grounded Ungrounded

AC Information:

Sizing Inverter Output Circuit Conductors and (Inverter Output OCPD rating =Amps (Table Inverter Output Circuit Conductor Size =AW	e 3)	ole 3)									
Table 3. Minimum Inverter Output OCPD and Circuit Conductor Size											
Inverter Continuous Output Current Rating (Amps) (Step 14) 12 16 20 24 28 32 36 40 48									48		
Minimum OCPD Size (Amps)	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	60		
Minimum Conductor Size (AWG, 75° C, Copper)	14	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6		

16) Point of Connection to Utility

Only load side connections are permitted with this plan. Otherwise, use Comprehensive Standard Plan.

Is the PV OCPD positioned at the opposite end from input feeder location or main OCPD location? If Yes, circle the Max Combined PV System OCPD(s) at 120% value as determined from Step 15 (or Step S20), bus bar Rating, and Main OCPD as shown in Table 4.

If No, circle the Max Combined PV System OCPD(s) at 100% value as determined from Step 15 (or Step S20), bus bar Rating, and Main OCPD as shown in Table 4.

Per 705.12(D)(2): [Inverter output OCPD size [Step #15 or S20] + Main OCPD Size] \leq [bus size x (100% or 120%)]

Table 4. Maximum Combined Supply OCPDs Based on Bus Bar Rating (Amps) per CEC 705.12(D)(2)											
Bus Bar Rating	100	125	125	200	200	200	225	225	225		
Main OCPD	100	100	125	150	175	200	175	200	225		
Max Combined PV System OCPD(s) at 120% of Bus Bar Rating	20	50	25	60*	60*	40	60*	60*	45		
Max Combined PV System OCPD(s) at 100% Bus Bar Rating	0	25	0	50	25	0	50	25	0		

*This value has been lowered to 60 A from the calculated value to reflect 10 kW AC size maximum.

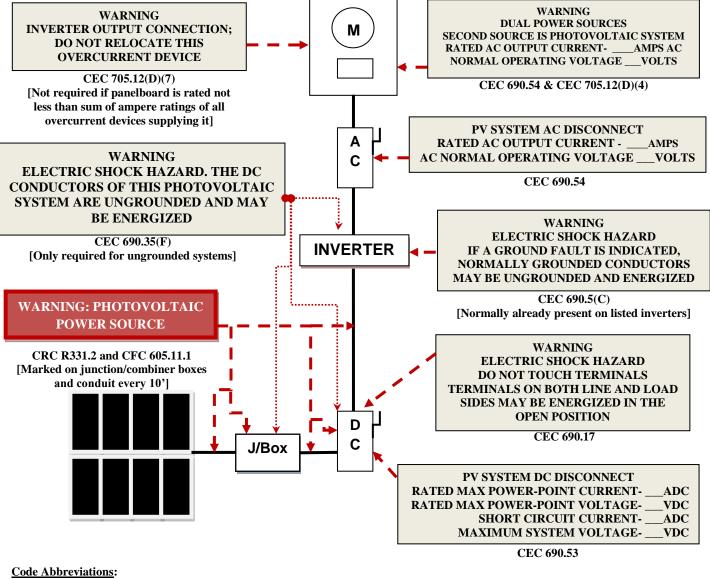
Reduction of the main breaker is not permitted with this plan. Otherwise, use Comprehensive Standard Plan.

17 & 18 & 19) Labels and Grounding and Bonding

This content is covered by the labels on the next page and the Single Line Diagram(s). For background information, refer to the Comprehensive Standard Plan.

Markings

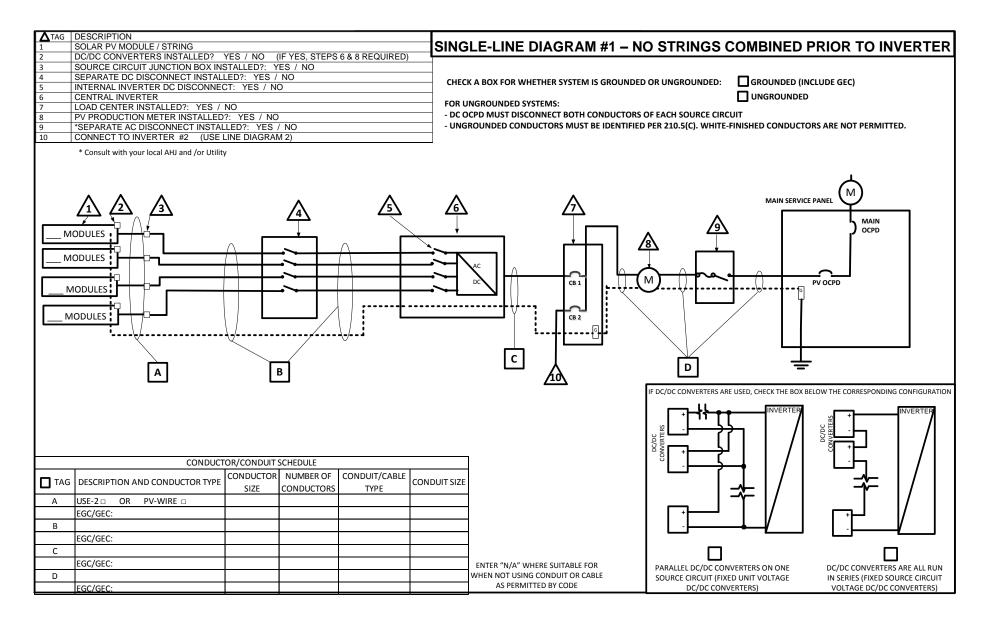
CEC Articles 690 and 705 and CRC Section R331 require the following labels or markings be installed at these components of the photovoltaic system:

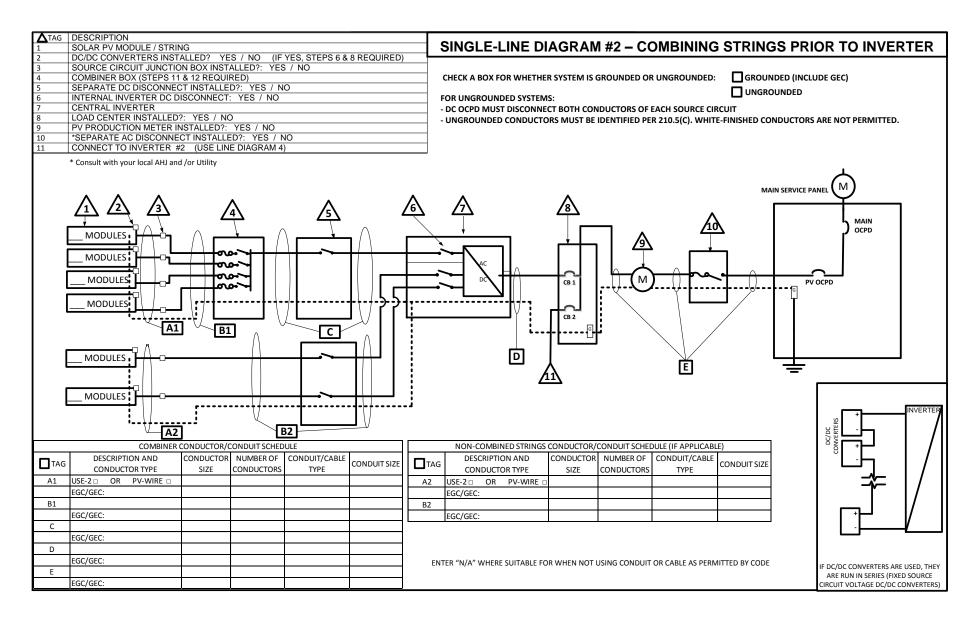


<u>Code Abbreviations</u>: California Electrical Code (CEC) California Residential Code (CRC) California Fire Code (CFC)

Informational note: ANSI Z535.4 provides guidelines for the design of safety signs and labels for application to products. A phenolic plaque with contrasting colors between the text and background would meet the intent of the code for permanency. No type size is specified, but 20 point (3/8") should be considered the minimum.

CEC 705.12 requires a permanent plaque or directory denoting all electric power sources on or in the premises.





Supplemental Calculation Sheets for Inverter #2 (Only include if <u>second</u> inverter is used)

DC Information:

Module Manufacturer: Model:									
S2) Module V_{oc} (from module nameplate):Volts S3) Module I_{sc} (from module nameplate):Amps									
S4) Module DC output power under standard test conditions (STC) = Watts (STC)									
S5) DC Module Layout									
Identify each source circuit (string) for inverter 1 shown on the roof plan with a Tag (e.g. A,B,C,)	Number of modules per source circuit for inverter 1	Identify, by tag, which source circuits on the roof are to be paralleled (if none, put N/A)							
		Combiner 1:							
		Combiner 2:							
Total number of source circuits	for inverter 1:								
S6) Are DC/DC Converte	rs used? Yes No	If No, skip to Step S7. If Yes, enter info below.							
DC/DC Converter Model #:		DC/DC Converter Max DC Input Voltage: Volts							
Max DC Output Current:	Amps	Max DC Output Current: Volts							
Max # of DC/DC Converters in	an Input Circuit:	DC/DC Converter Max DC Input Power: Watts							

S7) Maximum System DC Voltage — Use A1 or A2 for systems without DC/DC converters, and B1 or B2 with DC/DC Converters.														
A1. Module V_{oc} (STEP S2) = x # in series (STEP S5) x 1.12 (If $-1 \le T_{L} \le -5^{\circ}C$, STEP S1) = V														
A2. Module V_{oc} (STEP S2) = x # in series (STEP S5) x 1.14 (If $-6 \le T_{L} \le -10^{\circ}C$, STEP S1) = V														
Table 1. Maximum Number of PV Modules in Series Based on Module Rated V _{oc} for 600 Vdc Rated Equipment (CEC 690.7)														
Max. Rated Module V _{oc} (*1.12) (Volts)	29.76	31.51	33.48	35.71	38.27	41.21	44.64	4 48.70	53.57	59.52	66.9	6 7	5.53	89.29
Max. Rated Module V_{oc} (*1.14) (Volts)	29.24	30.96	32.89	35.09	37.59	40.49	43.86	6 47.85	52.63	58.48	65.7	9 7	5.19	87.72
Max # of Modules for 600 Vdc	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8		7	6
Use for DC/DC converters. The value calculated below must be less than DC/DC converter max DC input voltage (STEP S6).														
B1. Module V _{oc} (STEP S2) =	×	# of m	odules i	ner conv	erter (S	TEP S6)	x 1 12	(If ₋1 < ⁻	Γ < -5°		2 S1) :	_	V
$B2. Module V_{oc} (STEP S2) = _$														
Table 2. Largest Module V _{oc} fo	r Single	-Modul	e DC/D	C Conve	rter Co	nfigura	tions (\	with 80 V	AFCI Ca	ap) (CE	C 690.	7 anc	690.2	11)
Max. Rated Module V _{oc} (*1.12) (Volts)			5.7 38		43.8			51.8 54.5	T		62.5	65.2		70.5
Max. Rated Module V _{oc} (*1.14) (Volts)	29.8	32.5 3	5.1 37	.7 40.4	43.0	45.6	48.2 5	50.9 53.5	56.1	58.8	61.4	64.0	66.7	69.3
DC/DC Converter Max DC Input (Step 6) (Volts)	34	37	40 43	3 46	49	52	55	58 61	64	67	70	73	76	79
S8) Maximum System DC Voltage from DC/DC Converters to Inverter — Only required if Yes in Step S6 Maximum System DC Voltage = Volts														
S9) Maximum Source Circu Is Module I _{sc} below 9.6) S3)?		es C	No	(If No,	, use Co	mpre	hensi	ve St	anda	ard P	lan)
S10) Sizing Source Circuit Co				_			0.01	a //	105.0					
Source Circuit Conductor THWN-2, RHW-2)	Size =	Min. #	10 AW	G copp	er cor	iducto	r, 90°	C wet (L	JSE-2,	PV Wi	re, XF	HW	-2,	
For up to 8 conductors in r	oof-m	ounteo	l condi	uit expo	osed to	sunlia	pht at	least ½"	from t	he roo	of cov	ering	(CFC	310)
Note: For over 8 conductors						-	-					-		
Plan.														
S11) Are PV source circuits c	omhir	ned nr	ior to	the in	ortor	2 _	Ves	n No						
If No, use Single Line Diag							163							
If Yes, use Single Line D							1 and	procee	d to St	tep Si	12.			
Is source circuit						No								
Source circuit O	CPD si	ze (if	neede	d): 15	Amps									
S12) Sizing PV Output Circuit Output Circuit Conductor								be use	d (Ste	p S11),			
	512e -	101111. +	IO AVV	Cobbe		uucto								
S13) Inverter DC Disconnect														
Does the inverter have an														(5-5)
If No, the external DC d	Isconr	nect to	o be ir	stalled	a is rat	ted fo	r	Am	os (DC) and			volts	5 (DC)

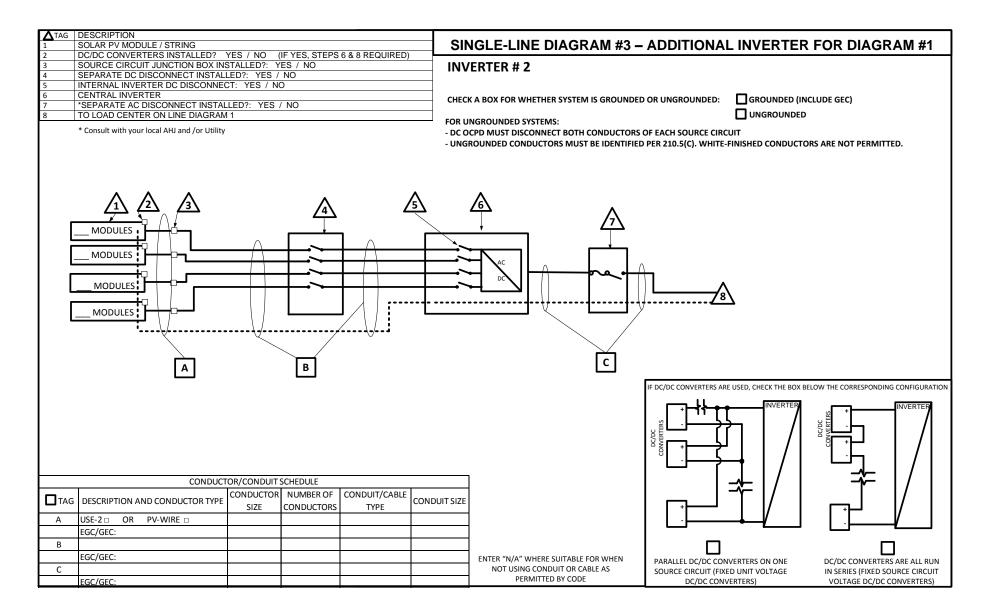
S14) Inverter Information	
Manufacturer: Model:	
Max. Continuous AC Output Current Rating:Amps	
Integrated DC Arc-Fault Circuit Protection? Yes No (If No is selected, Comprehensive Standard Plance Pl	lan)
Grounded or Ungrounded System? 🛛 Grounded 🗖 Ungrounded	

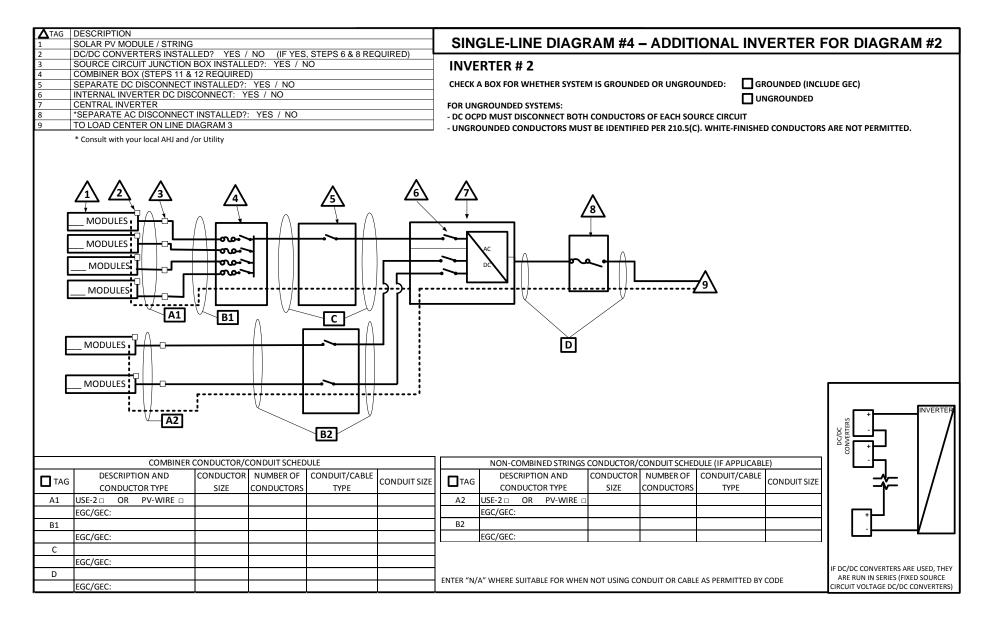
AC Information:

S15) Sizing Inverter Output Circuit Conductors and Inverter Output OCPD rating =Amps (Tab Inverter Output Circuit Conductor Size =A	le 3)								
Table 3. Minimum Inverter Output OCPD and Circuit Conductor Size									
Inverter Continuous Output Current Rating (Amps) (Step 14)	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	48
Minimum OCPD Size (Amps)	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	60
Minimum Conductor Size (AWG, 75° C, Copper)	14	12	10	10	8	8	6	6	6

Load Center Calculations (Omit if a load center will not be installed for PV OCPDs)

S20) Load Center Output: Calculate the sum of the maximum AC outputs from each inverter.	
Inverter #1 Max Continuous AC Output Current Rating [STEP S14]	× 1.25 = Amps
Inverter #2 Max Continuous AC Output Current Rating [STEP S14]	× 1.25 = Amps
Total inverter currents connected to load center (sum of above)	= Amps
Conductor Size:AWG Overcurrent Protection Device:Amps Load center bus bar rating:Amps The sum of the ampere ratings of overcurrent devices in circuits supply shall not exceed 120 percent of the rating of the bus bar or conductor	





SOLAR PV STANDARD PLAN

Roof Layout Diagram for One- and Two-Family Dwellings

Items required: roof layout of all panels, modules, clear access pathways and approximate locations of electrical disconnecting means and roof access points.