

Want to save with solar?

Take advantage of the Solar Homes Program solar panel rebate and interest-free loan.



Now's the perfect time to install thanks to the Victorian Government rebate. You can save hundreds of dollars a year on your electricity bills.



Save upfront

The solar panel (PV) rebate can cut up to \$1,850 from the upfront cost of your system.

Save more upfront with a loan

You may be eligible for up to an additional \$1,850 through our interest-free loan program.

The Victorian Government is funding interest-free loans for eligible applicants to complement the solar panel rebate. There is no credit check and the loan is paid back over 4 years.

The monthly repayment for a loan of \$1,850 is \$38.54.



Are you eligible?

Victorian households are eligible to receive a rebate for installing a solar PV system if:

- they are the owner-occupier of the property
- the owners have a combined household income of under \$180,000 per year
- it is an existing property, valued at under \$3 million
- they do not have an existing solar PV system*

*Early adopters who installed their system prior to 1 November 2009 are eligible to replace or expand their existing system. However, those receiving the Premium Feed-in Tariff should consider whether they will be better off if they replace their existing system.

For more information on the solar rebate visit www.solar.vic.gov.au/solar-panel-rebate.



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Application guide

Step 1 – Do your homework and get a quote

Do your research and understand the basics of how solar works. There are some great resources and product reviews online from credible sources. We also recommend speaking with friends and family who have had systems installed. Talk to them about their retailer, the service they provided and whether or not they recommend them. Online retailer reviews may also be useful.

You will need to speak to a Solar Homes authorised retailer about the solar panel (PV) system that best suits the needs of your household.

Step 2 – Apply for eligibility

You will receive an email notification when your retailer submits your quote to the program. Click on the link in the email to begin your application and confirm your eligibility.

To complete your application, you will need to demonstrate property ownership, income and identity. Use the checklist below to ensure you have everything you need before you begin the application process.

Documents required:

A copy of your quote

You will be asked for the quote number, your retailer name and the quote amount.

Proof of property ownership

A copy of the full council rates notice for the installation address, addressed to the homeowner/s.

Note: Rates notices which list the property in the name of a Trust, Superannuation Fund or Business cannot be accepted.

Proof of income

Income documents are required for each person named as an owner on the council rates notice.

Accepted documents include an Australian Tax Office Notice of Assessment, Centerlink PAYG Payment Summary or DVA PAYG Payment Summary. For more information on accepted proof of income documents visit www.solar.vic.gov.au/how-to-apply

Documents can come from either of the last two financial years. If there is more than one owner each person's documents must show income from the same financial year.

Proof of identity

You will need to enter the details from **any 2** of the following forms of ID:

- Driver's licence
- Medicare card
- Australian passport
- Australian birth certificate
- Foreign passport. This should be a foreign passport with a valid Australian Visa.
- Immicard

You'll need to make sure the names on both documents are the same.

Once your application is completed, you will receive an email confirming your eligibility. Hold on to this as you will need to show it to your installer when your system is installed.

Step 3 – Arrange your installation

Contact your retailer to confirm that you're proceeding with their quote and to book the installation with them. On the day of installation, your installer is required to scan the QR code contained in your eligibility confirmation email.

Once installation is complete, pay the retailer the amount you owe them. This is the total amount minus any deductions, including the rebate and the loan (if applicable). We'll pay the remainder. Following your installation, you will receive an email from Solar Victoria confirming the start date for repayments on your interest-free loan (if applicable).