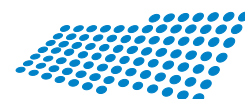


# Solar Buyer's Checklist

It is a good idea to ask your solar power installer the following questions before going ahead with your purchase. To find out more about solar power for your home, call 13 15 35 and ask for a copy of our guide to *Going Solar*.

1.	Does your supplier have BCSE accreditation for solar installation?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Do you have enough unshaded north-facing roof to collect sufficient solar power?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
3.	What size solar system does your installer recommend for you, given your budget and roof space?	kilowatts	
4.	Approximately how much energy will the system produce each year?	kilowatt-hours	
5.	How many panels will be mounted on your roof and is the roof strong enough to support them?		
6.	Where will the inverter be installed?		
7.	What is the length of warranty on the:		
	SOLAR PANELS	..... years	
	INVERTER	..... years	
	MOUNTING FRAME	..... years	
	WORKMANSHIP	..... years	
8.	Does the system come with an in-house monitor/software?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
9.	Can your installer manage or assist in any DA process required by the local council?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
10.	Will your installer organise the metering and switchboard modification, including the inspection, with all necessary paperwork, specific to electricity network rules and regulations?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
11.	Ask you installer what type of meter will be installed. (IMPORTANT NOTE: EnergyAustralia's network policy is that all new and replacement meters measure electricity usage throughout the day at half-hour intervals. Make sure you ask your electricity provider if you will be moved to time-based pricing for all of your electricity usage and any excess you sell back to the grid.)		
12.	Can your installer co-ordinate energy Buy-back with an energy Retailer?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
13.	What is the full price of the system (including the frame, panels, inverter, metering, installation, inspections and approvals) before rebates are applied?	\$	
14.	Can your installer help you apply for the government rebates?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
15.	What maintenance costs are likely over the life of the system, eg inverter replacement?		



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