



# Add a second battery bank solar

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Can you add battery storage to a solar panel?

The good news is that it's entirely possible to add battery storage to an existing solar panel setup. So-called "storage ready" systems are already equipped with an inverter that can easily direct excess power into a battery. But even if your system wasn't designed with storage in mind, you still have options.

Can you add a battery to a solar inverter?

It's relatively easy to add a battery to your existing solar panel system, but the level of ease depends on the type of solar inverter you have. If your inverter isn't compatible with a battery, the simpler and more affordable solution is to install an AC-coupled battery system.

Are solar batteries compatible with existing solar panels?

Most solar batteries designed for small-scale use are compatible with existing solar panel systems. The best battery for your retrofit installation really comes down to your unique needs and reasons for installing an energy storage system.

How does a solar battery charger work?

To charge the batteries, a unit called a charge controller needs to be added to the system. The DC output from the solar array goes into the charge controller instead of the inverter. The charge controller converts it to an appropriate voltage to charge the battery bank. Charge controllers come in one of three different versions: 12V, 24V or 48V.

Can a solar system accommodate a battery?

Most solar systems can accommodate a battery, but the ease of installation depends on your setup. Why trust EnergySage? You installed your rooftop solar system a few years ago and are enjoying your disappearing electric bills. But your neighbor just installed a new solar-plus-storage system that couples rooftop solar with a battery storage system.



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