

## SolarTech Power Solutions

**The communication base station inverter on the roof is connected to the grid**



## Overview

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What is a grid connected PV system?

Grid connected PV systems always have a connection to the public electricity grid via a suitable inverter because a photovoltaic panel or array (multiple PV panels) only deliver DC power. As well as the solar panels, the additional components that make up a grid connected PV system compared to a stand alone PV system are:.

How does an on-grid inverter work?

For an on-grid system, you will not be using batteries. Thus, unlike the off-grid systems, you will connect the inverter directly to the grid. Plug it into the main power switchboard to join the grid, which acts as the input wire. The other wire, which acts as the output wire, connects to the switchboard, which supplies the current.

How do grid-following inverters work?

Traditional “grid-following” inverters require an outside signal from the electrical grid to determine when the switching will occur in order to produce a sine wave that can be injected into the power grid. In these systems, the power from the grid provides a signal that the inverter tries to match.

How does a grid-tie inverter work?

The grid-tie inverter is configured to a solar meter which later connects to the mains. The meter is used to calculate excess energy from the inverter grid, later stored in a utility grid for future consumption.

Can grid-connected PV inverters improve utility grid stability?

Grid-connected PV inverters have traditionally been thought as active power sources with an emphasis on maximizing power extraction from the PV modules. While maximizing power transfer remains a top priority, utility grid stability is now widely acknowledged to benefit from several auxiliary services

that grid-connected PV inverters may offer.

### What is an on-grid Solar System?

Often referred to as a grid-tie or grid-connected system, an on-grid solar system is a system that is connected to the utility grid. It allows your home to use the power generated by your solar panels, as well as the power supplied by the grid. This means even on cloudy days or at night, you will always have a reliable power source.

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