

## Southern Valley Homeowners Association Community Guidelines for Solar Panels – February 2026

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- Solar Panels must be approved by the ARC (Architectural Review Committee).
- Solar Panels/Collectors cannot be placed on the front roof line. They may be only placed on the back slope of roofs that are adjacent to woods or where they are not visible from any other unit or street.
- Any connectors, pipes, wires, or other equipment must be placed such that it cannot be viewed from the front of the unit.
- All pipes and materials must be painted to match the exterior of the home.
- Inverter must be behind a fence/buffer or in the garage.
- Solar Panels/Collectors must be (including any brackets) must not be raised more than 1.5 inches above the existing roof.
- Solar Panels/Collectors must be non-reflective, one-color (black), low profile, and include skirting on all sides.
- Solar Panels/Collectors must be contiguous and evenly placed in array for an aesthetically pleasing appearance. No checkered board pattern with gaps will be approved.
- No panel may extend beyond any roof edge or roof plane.
- No portion of the device may encroach on adjacent units or common area.
- Ground mounts are not permitted.
- All applicable permits must be included with the request along with all pertinent component photos or images that show exactly what is being installed prior to installation.
- A comprehensive drawing showing the exact placement of all components must also be provided for approval
- Signatures of all adjacent units' homeowners must be secured on the request. If any of the units are leased, only the actual unit owner may sign the request.
- All devices must be installed in compliance with manufacturer's instructions and in a manner which does not void material warranties.
- Installation Company and craftsmen must be licensed and insured.
- Homeowners are responsible for any damage incurred to any adjacent unit.
- Homeowners are responsible for all maintenance to the system.
- Homeowners are responsible for all removal/replacement costs if buyers do not want to assume ownership of them and they must return the roof to its original structure using only Owens Corning Driftwood shingles
- Homeowners not abiding to any of these provisions will be responsible to return the roof to its original condition using only Owens Corning Driftwood shingles and are subject to fines, as assigned by the board if the unit is not returned to original state by the date specified in the notification letter. In this case, time is of the essence.