

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN GUIDELINES

Architectural Design Guidelines regarding Solar Panels

Solar panels/collectors must be well integrated into the overall building design and lot and be kept within the lot. Shingle style solar panels may be considered.

It is highly recommended that the system be installed by a professional, licensed contractor, who should obtain all required building permits.

Solar panels must be flush mounted to ONLY the rear side of the roof and not extend above the roof. Any request for placement of solar panels other than on the rear roof will require the homeowner to provide the ARC additional documentation that the restriction is not reasonable under the provisions of Code of Virginia, Title 67. Virginia Energy Plan, Chapter 7. Covenants Restricting Solar Energy Collection Devices. Limit size to within current net metering code limitations. Installation of the system shall be parallel to the roof line. Wiring components to be concealed as much as possible and secured.

The homeowner is responsible for the maintenance of the system and it is recommended to carry insurance on the system as well. If the system is removed, the roof must be restored to an appropriate condition. If the owner moves and the system conveys with the property, the new property owner is responsible for the maintenance of the system and potential insurance and if removed, the restoration of the roof as aforementioned.