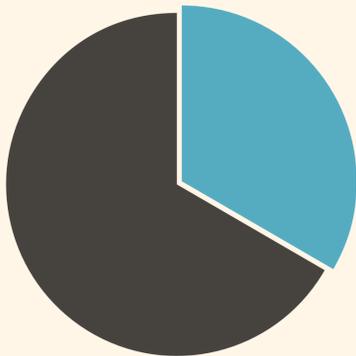


HOW TO

CLAIM YOUR SOLAR CREDIT

Get Your 30% Federal Tax Credit in 2018



30%
OF YOUR
TOTAL COSTS

If you've bought solar, great news!

You may be eligible to claim a 30% federal solar tax credit—called the Solar Investment Tax Credit—and get a break on some of your taxes.

But filing taxes can be a hassle—and the forms can be confusing.

That's why we've created this guide. Read it and we'll have you filling out the forms—and claiming your credit—in no time.

AM I ELIGIBLE?

SHORT ANSWER: Yes, Probably!



If you're a **US citizen** who purchased a solar power system between **January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2017**, you're eligible to claim the Solar Investment Tax Credit on your **2018 tax return**. Nice!



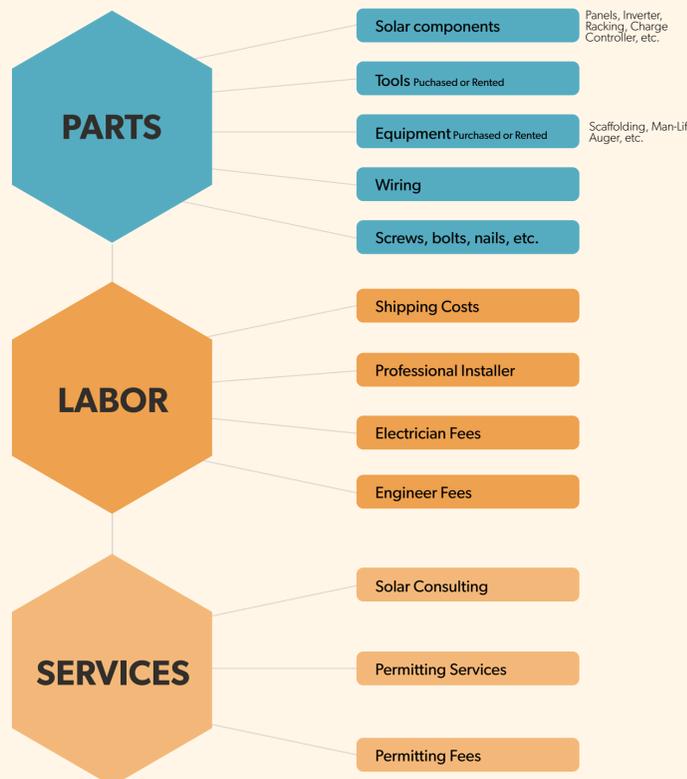
WHAT CAN I CLAIM?

You can claim **anything that contributed to that total expense of your solar project**—from parts, to labor, to what you spent on a solar technician, to permitting fees.

It all depends on which expenses your installation needed.

Here are some common expenses that are frequently incurred in solar installations.

Don't forget about them!



WHAT ARE THE STEPS TO CLAIM IT?



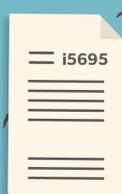
STEP 1: GET YOUR FORMS TOGETHER

Now that you know you're eligible for the tax credit and you've calculated how much you spent, you need to get a copy of three separate IRS forms: Form 5695, Instructions for Form 5695, and of course Form 1040.



STEP 2: FILL OUT FORM 5695

You can use Form 5695 to claim any residential energy credits, but obviously with solar you want to focus on the solar electric credit.



STEP 3: USE WORKSHEET i5695

If you have other Residential Energy Efficient Property Credits, flip to page 4 of this worksheet to aid you with filing.



STEP 4: FILL OUT FORM 1040

This is the form most US citizens file at tax time—the Individual Income Tax Return. You'll fill out this form as usual, but pay special attention to Line 53, which asks for the total of the energy credits you're claiming from Form 5695.

HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR SYSTEM?

Sure, you may have bought your solar power system long ago, and you're just getting around to figuring out the tax credit now. But on the off-chance you're researching whether you'll be eligible—and you haven't bought yet—have a look at Wholesale Solar. To find out more about the system that's right for you, request a quote on our website.

Click [here](#) to get in touch with us today!