

TRAINING STAFF IN ROOFTOP SOLAR PV SPECIFICS

It can be helpful for jurisdiction staff involved in solar PV permit review and inspection to participate in relevant solar PV training. Trained personnel know what to look for, and can help alleviate frustration and excessive work for municipalities, installers and property owners.

The following list provides examples of resources available to building inspectors wanting to better understand solar PV:

- CEFA-hosted training specifically for inspectors— check our website, www.energizect.com/sunrisene, for updates.
- “[Photovoltaic Online Training for Code Officials](#)” developed by IREC and conceived in partnership with DOE, offered on the National Training & Education Resource (NTER) website. Inspectors can apply for Continuing Education credits after completing this program.
- [Solar Energy International](#) offers workshops on solar PV as well as a variety of textbooks in eBook format and print editions.
- Sandia National Laboratories has put together “photovoltaic guide post,” [multimedia tutorials for code inspectors](#).
- “Understanding National Electrical Code (NEC) Requirements for Solar Photovoltaic Systems, Based on the 2011 NEC,” Mike Holt, available at [Mike Holt Solar PV Products](#).
- [Brooks Solar](#) offers training and workshops. Visit their site to download their “recommended reading,” and “training materials” including “Expedited permit Process,” and “A Guide to PV System Design and Installation.”
- Solar America Board for Codes and Standards (Solar ABC’s) “[Expedited Permit Process for PV Systems. A Standardized Process for the Review of Small-Scale PV Systems](#),” prepared by Bill Brooks, P.E., Brooks Engineering.



“POMFRET COMMUNITY SCHOOL”²⁷

- “NABCEP Photovoltaic (PV) Installation Professional Resource Guide,” version 6, authored by William Brooks and James Dunlop, published 2013 by the North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP), is available as a PDF download free of charge on the [NABCEP website](#).
- IREC’s [Solar Instructor Training Network](#)

In addition to these resources, CEFA will be hosting training opportunities for municipal building officials. For more information on these trainings please check the project website, or contact: sunshot@ctcleanenergy.com for the latest updates.

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²⁷ <http://www.pomfret.ctschool.net/>