

# Processing of old photovoltaic panels



## Overview

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Solar panel recycling is a multi-step industrial process that separates glass, aluminum, silicon, copper, silver, and polymers from end-of-life photovoltaic modules using mechanical, thermal, and chemical treatments. Waste from end-of-life solar panels presents opportunities to recover valuable materials and create jobs through recycling. As millions of solar installations approach their 25-30 year lifespan, the industry has developed sophisticated recycling. Recycling photovoltaic panels not only helps conserve resources but also reduces environmental impact. According to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), with the average lifespan of solar panels ranging between 25-30 years, a considerable volume of the panels we use today will need to be retired in the decades to.

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Find out how solar panels, a renewable energy waste, are recycled and where to take your end-of-life solar panels for recycling.



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In this guide, we'll explain step by step how experts recycle solar panels, answer whether solar panels can be recycled, and show why recycling solar panels is key for a sustainable future.



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