

# **Solar mandatory energy storage policy**





## Overview

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Previously, in February 2025, the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) and the National Energy Administration (NEA) issued Document No. 136, explicitly stating that energy storage configuration should not be a prerequisite for the approval of new energy projects, ending the "mandatory energy storage" policy that had been in place since Qinghai first introduced it in 2017. How will the energy storage mandate impact China?

S&P Global estimates that the storage mandate has driven between 50 and 75% of domestic demand. With China accounting for around 56% of the global energy storage demand in 2024, the impact of such a policy change will be massive.

Is the energy storage mandate a big change?

This is a big change towards rationalization of renewables but hidden within that is a removal of the energy storage mandate," George Hilton, research and analysis manager at S&P Global, tells ESS News. S&P Global estimates that the storage mandate has driven between 50 and 75% of domestic demand.

Will this notice impact energy storage demand in the short term?

This Notice may impact energy storage demand in the short term. Up until 2024, mandatory storage allocation policies were always the primary driver of China's energy storage market. In 2024, for instance, energy storage installations tied to new energy projects accounted for nearly 40% of total capacity.

How will China's energy storage policy change in 2025?

The current Notice sets the framework for energy storage policy, while detailed rules will be made by each Chinese province based on local conditions by the end of 2025. This transition period may cause short-term market fluctuations, so industry players should stay flexible and prepared.



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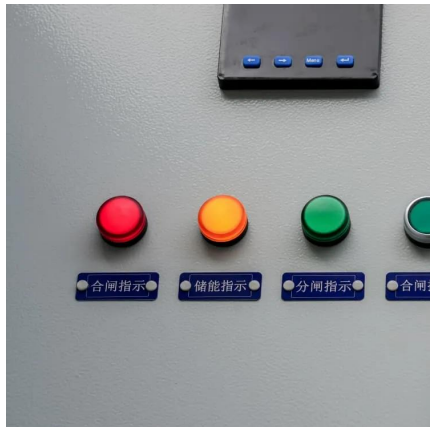
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