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Solar energy collectors
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Abstract

New Rochelle, New York allows certain small-scale, roof-mounted systems as accessory uses under the City's general accessory use definition. Solar energy collectors on one- or two-family dwellings, as well as those that cover less than 1,000 square feet of the roof area of other buildings, require only a building permit.

Resource

See attached PDF below.

Chapter 331. Zoning

Article IV. General District Regulations

§ 331-25. Solar energy collectors.

- A. Installation of solar energy collectors, other than for one- and two-family dwellings, which collectors shall cover 1,000 square feet or more, individually or in aggregate, of the roof area of a building, shall be subject to approval by the Planning Board, in accordance with the provisions and procedures of Article **XIII**, Site Plan Approval, which shall take into account the needs of energy conservation.
[Amended 12-11-2007 by Ord. No. 294-2007]
- B. Access to sunlight for present and potential solar energy systems, both on- and off-site, as well as building siting, orientation and landscaping, shall be considered by all approving agencies as part of their review of any application.
- C. New construction on any lot which would block access to sunlight, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time for existing approved solar energy collectors or for solar energy collectors for which a permit has been issued is prohibited except by permission from the Board of Appeals on a showing that other arrangements are infeasible or impractical, or that the degree of blocking is negligible.