

# **How much is the tariff for solar container outdoor power in Freetown**





## Overview

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What is a photovoltaic tariff?

The tariff subheading reads, " Photovoltaic cells assembled in modules or made up into panels." The rate of customs duty is 10% (General), 0%/free (European Union/United Kingdom), 0%/free (European Free Trade Agreement), 0%/free (Southern African Development Community); 10% (MERCOSUR), and 0%/free (AfCTA).

Is South Africa facing a new wave of solar import duties?

The solar industry in South Africa is facing a new wave of pressure, as import duties are now officially applied to various renewable energy components, including photovoltaic (PV) solar panels. Although the 10% import duty officially came into effect in June 2024, many installers and developers are only now beginning to feel its impact.

Which solar panels are not subject to new import duties?

In light of these developments, securing stock that has already cleared customs before the duty's implementation is crucial. IBC SOLAR South Africa has recently received new stock of LONGi Hi-MO X6 Max (LR7-72HTH 615M) solar panels, which are not subject to the new import duties.

What is customs duty on solar panels?

According to TARIC, customs duty for photosensitive semiconductor devices, including photovoltaic cells whether or not assembled in modules or made up into panels; light-emitting diodes, code 8541409000, is 0%. In the HTS tariff system, the duty for solar cells assembled into modules or made up into panels (code 8541.40.60.15) is also 0%.



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