

# Photovoltaic support grounding test specifications



## Overview

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This report provides field procedures for testing PV arrays for ground faults, and for implementing high-resolution ground fault and arc fault detectors in existing and new PV system designs. This report is available at no cost from the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) at [www.SolarABCs.com](http://www.SolarABCs.com), with support from the U. Department of Energy, commissioned this report to provide the PV industry with practical. A ground fault in a photovoltaic (PV) array is an accidental electrical short circuit between ground and one or more conductors that normally carry current. PV ground faults have many potential causes, but most result from improper installation or damaged components. While SPP grounding design is similar to both traditional power plants and substations, it's much. Grounding and bonding are two distinct safety requirements for solar photovoltaic systems. Grounding connects electrical components to Earth at zero voltage potential.

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