

## **PDEOZE PowerContainer**

# **BESS tax rate for energy storage equipment**



## Overview

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Before the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) was enacted in 2022, BESS could only access federal tax credit funding when powered by solar and required the business-owned storage to be charged with solar 75 percent of the time. The IRA expanded the investment tax credit by eliminating the requirement.

According to the US Energy Information Administration (EIA), 10.3 gigawatts of utility-scale battery energy storage systems (BESS) were installed in 2024. Nearly six gigawatts of utility-scale BESS were added in the first six months of 2025, and the EIA forecasts that more than 18 gigawatts will be.

Battery energy storage systems, or BESS, are crucial pieces of renewable energy systems because they can store excess energy generated during peak production times and release it later when demand is high and generation assets are at maximum capacity. This facilitates a steadier clean energy supply.

Battery Energy Storage Systems can benefit from powerful tax tools like MACRS and 100 percent bonus depreciation, thanks to the IRA and OBBBA. Standalone BESS projects placed in service after January 19, 2025 can immediately deduct full capital costs, dramatically improving ROI and early cash flow.

Unlike solar and wind, which had their construction cutoff dates moved up, BESS projects will remain eligible for the investment tax credit (ITC) and production tax credit (PTC) under sections 48E and 45Y respectively. Storage

projects that start construction before 2033 will remain eligible for.

Systems (BESS) have become a cornerstone of modern energy infrastructure in the United States. As the national grid lessens its dependence on fossil fuels and integrates more renewable energy sources, utility-scale batteries provide essential services such as frequency regulation, energy arbitrage.

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Battery storage credits are growing fast. Dive into BESS project pricing, deal structures, and merchant risk in 2025's evolving tax credit market.

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This guidance has provided welcome clarity for sponsors, investors, lenders, credit buyers, equipment vendors, service providers, and tax credit insurance providers,

allowing for ...

The following Residential Clean Energy Tax Credit amounts apply for the prescribed periods: 30% for property placed in service after December 31, 2016, and before January 1, 2020

This guidance modifies Notice 2024-41 from May 2024 and includes a new safe harbor table with alternative cost percentages for projects with U.S. wafers and an adjusted ...

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As of mid-2025, none of these rescinded orders have been replaced by equivalent initiatives. This rollback ends key interagency programs that supported clean energy and equity-focused ...

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