

Installation Manual for

Heliene Photovoltaic Modules



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1. Introduction

- This Manual contains information about installation, maintenance, and use of Heliene's photovoltaic modules.
- All instructions should be read and understood before installation is performed. Failure to follow these instructions may result in property damage, personal injury, or death.
- Installation and operation of solar modules require specialized skills. Only trained personnel should perform installation.
- The terms "solar module", "photovoltaic module" and "module" are used interchangeably in this document and refer to one or more electrically connected solar modules.
- Please keep this Manual in a safe place for future reference.

2. Safety Precautions

- Before unpacking, installing, wiring, or operating photovoltaic modules responsible personnel should read and understand all safety precautions.
- Module installation should be conducted by personnel certified in electrical and photovoltaic system installation.
- Installation and operation of modules by personnel who are not certified in relevant safety requirements will result in dangerous situations.
- All installation work must comply with applicable local, national, and international codes, regulations, guidelines, norms, and standards.
- A Warning Explosion Hazard Do not disconnect modules while circuit is live. Please refer to applicable electrical safety codes for additional information.
- Warning Electrical Shock Hazard Photovoltaic modules produce DC voltage/ current when exposed to sunlight or other light source. Contact with any electrically active parts can result in injury or death.
- A Caution Avoid installing/ handling modules in wet/ high wind environment.
- . **STOP**
- \circ $\,$ Do not connect or disconnect modules when they are energized.
- \circ Do not connect or disconnect modules in the presence of flammable substances.
- Do not concentrate/ focus light onto the module
- Do not disassemble modules or remove any of its parts. There are no serviceable parts in the module.
- \circ Do not install modules with broken, damaged, or scratched parts
- Do not submerge modules in water.
- \circ $\,$ Do not stand on or walk on the module. Do not put heavy objects on the module.
- Do not drop modules.
- \circ Do not bend the output cable at sharp angles as this will damage the insulation.
- \circ Do not handle modules with bare hands as corners or edges may be sharp.

3. Fire Rating

- Heliene's photovoltaic modules are type-1(1500V) and type-2(1000V) fire rated according to UL61215/UL61730.
- The fire rating of modules is valid only when mounted in the manner specified in this installation manual.
- System Fire Class Rating is the combination of module fire type and UL2703 certified mounting configuration.
- Mounting system manufacturers must clearly specify any limitations to maintain a specific System Fire Class Rating in their installation instructions.
- For rooftop installations, ensure modules is mounted over a fire-resistant roof covering rated for the application and meet slope requirements for the target fire class rating.

4. General Information

- Photovoltaic modules convert solar radiation to electrical energy and are designed for outdoor use.
- The drawings in here shows cross-section of a typical photovoltaic module showing key materials and design features.
- Design of module and choice of materials enable Heliene to make aesthetically superior modules that deliver more energy annually.
- Heliene solar modules use advanced photovoltaic technology and are built up



technology and are built using advanced materials, processes, and equipment.

- Heliene modules come with a permanently attached junction box and cables terminated in standard photovoltaic module connectors.
- Proper design of mounting and support structures is the responsibility of the system designer and installer.

5. General Installation Requirements

- The module is in compliance with UL61215/UL61730 only when the module is mounted in the manner specified by isntallation instructions.
- A module with exposed conductive parts is in compliance with UL61215/UL61730 only when it is electrically grounded in accordance with the instructions presented in this manual and the requirements of the National Electrical Code.

- Any module without a frame (known as a laminate) shall not be considered to comply with the requirements of UL61215/UL61730 unless the module is mounted with hardware that has been tested and evaluated with the module under this standard or by a field Inspection certifying that the installed module complies with the requirements of UL61215/UL61730.
- Installation must comply with all local building codes. The mounting design must be certified in the USA and Canada by a registered professional engineer. Also mounting design and procedures should comply with local codes and meet requirements set forth by authorities having jurisdiction.
- Tools used to connect the modules must comply with all applicable electrical safety regulations. They must be dry and have the correct level of insulation.
- Heliene modules are not permitted for installation in the following locations:
 - o In a location or near an equipment where flammable gas or vapors are present
 - Where modules may be exposed to hazardous or harmful chemicals
 - Underwater or in water features
 - o Where modules may be exposed to artificially concentrated light

6. Bifacial Modules

- Bifacial Photovoltaic Modules can utilize sunlight on the front and reflected light on the back simultaneously. Total energy been produced by bifacial modules is calculated by the sum of energy from the from and the back of the module.
- System design should consider the potential increased of power output because of bifacial characteristics.
- Increased power depends on the amount of irradiance reflected onto the module.
- Refer to Heliene's Specification Sheets for Bifacial Modules for electrical parameters in presence of reflected radiation (Albedo).



7. Transportation, Unpacking, and Storage

Transportation

- Heliene recommends the modules be stored in its original packaging strapped to the pallets until they reach the installation site and are ready to be installed.
- Do not remove any strapping or packaging materials if the modules require secondary transportation or long-term storage.
- Transport modules in the box firmly strapped to pallet as supplied by Heliene
- Load and Unload module pallets with a forklift. Avoiding hitting, banding, dropping or damage to the packaging or the modules.
- Always keep electrical contacts clean and dry.
- Do not stand, step on, walk or jump on the modules.
- The modules should be stored in a dry and controlled environment.
- Always keep modules and pallets on a flat and balanced surface.
- Always set the modules onto surfaces bigger than the module perimeter size. Ensure module weight transfer to the aluminum frame only.

Unpacking

- Read and follow the unpacking instructions carefully. This process requires two people minimum.
- Before unpacking, have module box in a level, dry area free of excessive dust, debris.
- Cut the straps with blade or scissors, remove box top vertically and lift it over to the side.
- Be careful when removing the packaging. Do not scratch module surfaces.
- Remove modules with two hands at each side, each person lifting on opposite ends. Never lift by Junction Box Cables or Box.
- Never leave a module unsupported or lean it against mounting posts.
- If there are modules left in the box after unpacking, the remaining modules should be repackaged to protect from damage 26 modules maximum per pallet.

Storage

- Store pallets of modules on a levelled surface, in a dry and controlled environment.
- Pallets are not weatherproof, and modules are not meant to be exposed to weather elements until installed.
- Store modules where objects will not fall onto them.
- Stack only 2 pallets high maximum, and never put any other materials on top of them.

8. Electrical Installation

- All wiring should be performed by registered installers and comply with local and national codes and standards.
- Wiring must ensure that the loss of nominal voltage is less than 2% and loss of nominal power is less than 1%.

- Heliene modules are provided with insulated photovoltaic cables. The recommended rating for wiring connections is 6 mm². Only use cable listed by UL4703 PV wire, 90°C thermally insulated in accordance with all the local fire, building, and electrical codes.
- The maximum voltage of the system must be less than the maximum certified voltage and less than the maximum input voltage of the inverter and the other electrical devices installed in the system. Heliene's modules are rated for 1000V or 1500V. Please check module specification sheet before installation.
- The rated electrical values at STC conditions (Standard Test Conditions Irradiation 1000W/m2, AM 1.5, Cell temperature 25°C) of Heliene modules are included in this manual.
- The electrical values carry tolerance of: $I_{SC} \pm 4\%$, $V_{OC} \pm 3\%$, $P_{MPP} \pm 3\%$.
- A photovoltaic module is likely to experience conditions that produce more current and/ or voltage than reported at standard test conditions. The requirements of the National Electrical Code (NEC) should be followed to address these increased outputs.
- In installations not under the requirements of the NEC, the values of I_{SC} and V_{OC} marked on this module should be multiplied by a factor of 1.25 when determining component voltage ratings, conductor ampacities, overcurrent device ratings, and size of controls connected to the module output.

Wiring

- Modules connected as part of a single solar array should be of the same model, type, and electrical rating.
- The maximum number of panels in a string can be calculated by dividing the maximum system voltage of the panel by its V_{oc} accounting for the lowest ambient temperature at site.
- Do not exceed the maximum system voltage 1500 V or 1000 V.
- All Heliene modules are equipped with multiple bypass diodes. Bypass diodes turn on to electrically disconnect underperforming string(s) in the event of shading or other issues thus enabling other strings in the module to continue delivering maximum power.
- Connectors are identified and tested with compatible mating part and are to be of the same type and brand to avoid risk of loose connection which can result in arcing. Mating connectors with different types or brands is not allowed. Refer to Product Specification section for information on connectors.

Grounding

- All module frames and mounting racks must be grounded in accordance with NEC and applicable local and national codes.
- For grid connected modules in U.S and Canada: All modules must be grounded by electrical connection from the module frames to the ground. A UL-listed grounding lug or UL approved clamp should be used.
- Connect module frames to each other using cables with cable lugs. All connections on the conductive connection must be fixed. Metal containing iron in the conductive connection should be treated against corrosion and rusting.

- Another method is to ground the frame of the module to racking structure in accordance with NEC requirements.
- Self-Tapping screw (10 x ³/₄ size) can be used to attach a wire terminal loop to one of the Grounding Holes provided on the module frame.
- Grounding connections using spikes at the clamping point which are UL approved are permitted.
- All screws and nuts shall be tightened to a torque of 4~5 Nm (2.95~3.69 ft-lb).
- A UL-Listed grounding lug may be used if the mounting holes are not used for mounting.
- Where common grounding hardware (nuts, bolts, star washers, spilt-ring lock washers, flat washers and the like) is used to attach a listed grounding/bonding device, the attachment must be made in conformance with the grounding device manufacturer's instructions.
- Common hardware items such as nuts, bolts, star washers, lock washers and the like have not been evaluated for electrical conductivity or for use as grounding devices and should be used only for maintaining mechanical connections and holding electrical grounding devices in the proper position.

9. Mechanical Installation:

Site Selection and Preparation:

- Heliene's solar modules are designed for installation up to 2000m (6500ft) above sea level.
- To maximize the power output, it is recommended to install solar modules at an optimized tilt and orientation angle. Refer to standard solar photovoltaic installation guides and requirements.
- Select a site for installation that is free of daily and seasonal shading as much as possible.

General Mounting Instructions:

- Follow instructions below for methods of fastening a module to a support structure.
- Use a torque wrench for installation and follow torquing instructions
- Modules shall be bolted or clamped to the racking system. Follow maximum allowed downforce and uplift loading conditions for the specific mounting method being used.
- Mounting outside of these limits without written approval from Heliene will void the warranty.

Mounting Using Bolts:

- Use M8(5/16") stainless steel bolts with nuts, four spring washers, and eight flat washers, tightened to a minimum torque of 10~15 Nm (7.37-11.06 ft-lb).
- Module can be mounted using outer holes [1] and/or inner holes [2] of the frame.



- Each module should be securely fastened at a minimum four points symmetrically.
- Specific information on module dimension, mounting locations, hole size and location is provided in the 'module drawing' section of this document.



Bolting on long frame side using four mounting holes. Mounting rails must run perpendicularly to the long frame side.

	Mounting Hole	Maximum	Fested Load	Maximum Design Load		
ALL SERIES	1	+5400Pa	-2400Pa	+3600Pa	-1600Pa	
60M G1	2	+5400Pa	-2400Pa	+3600Pa	-1600Pa	
120HC M6	2	+5400Pa	-2400Pa	+3600Pa	-1600Pa	
132HC G1	2	+5400Pa	-2400Pa	+3600Pa	-1600Pa	
72M G1/72M G1 BIFACIAL	2	+3600Pa	-2400Pa	+2400Pa	-1600pa	
144HC M6/144HC M6 BIFACIAL	2	+3600Pa	-2400Pa	+2400Pa	-1600Pa	

Mounting Using Clamps:

- Each clamp must provide minimum 5mm x 25mm surface clamping onto top surface from the side.
- If the clamps are being used to support two modules, it must have a minimum of 25mm on each module frame surface.

- Use minimum 4 clamps to attached modules to the mounting rails. The clamps should be positioned symmetrically and according to the authorized position zones defined in in table below.
- Frames must not be deformed by clamps
- Clamps should not touch the glass or otherwise cause shading on the solar cells in the module.
- Contact Heliene for instructions if the system requires clamps to be outside of the specified region or to be on the short side (landscape mounting).
- Clamping Range:



Additional Information for Rooftop Installations:

- Ensure to comply with all local building codes.
- Freestanding modules turn a Class B rooftop into a Class C rooftop.
- Use appropriate corrosion-proof fastening materials.
- Top or bottom clamping methods will vary and are dependent on the mounting structures.
- Follow mounting guidelines recommended by the photovoltaic racking Suppliers.

10. Maintenance

- Visual inspection should be performed on the module at least once per year to check for damages to the panel and its components.
- Lack of inspection and maintenance will lead to operation, performance, and safety problems.
- Check wiring and connection at least once per year. Check all the parts that make up the wiring and connection system. This process should be done by qualified personnel duly trained and equipped for the job.
- Cleaning of photovoltaic modules will improve energy output. It is recommended that cleaning is performed when solar radiation is at low levels. Use clean water with low calcium concentration without any detergents or abrasives. Do not scratch the glass surface. Use water at temperature level similar to the panel temperature when possible.
- Snow should be removed using a soft brush to clean the surface of the modules. Do not try to remove frozen snow or ice off the modules.
- There are no serviceable parts within the module assembly. Consult Heliene with any questions about damaged parts.

11. Warranty

- If the photovoltaic module or installation does not work properly, please inform your installer immediately.
- Should inspection or testing become necessary, ensure it is performed by trained professionals only. Not following safety requirements may results in injury or death.
- If it is established that modules are defective or are not performing satisfactorily, fill out "RMA Submission/ Warranty Inquiry" on Heliene contact page https://www.heliene.com/contact. One of our technical representatives will be in touch within two (2) business days to start the returns process.
- For general information on warranty claims, please send email to warranty@heliene.com

12. Disclaimer

• Heliene reserves the rights to change this Installation Manual without prior notice. Failure of the customer to follow the requirements outlined in this manual will void product warranty.

13. Limitation of Liability

• Heliene disclaim any liability for (including but not limited to) breakage, deterioration, loss of performance, system installation error, and personnel injury or property damage resulting from failure to follow the instructions in this manual.

14. Module Specifications:

Electrical and Mechanical Properties:

			Electrical Properties									Mechnical Properties			
Module Series	Model Name	STC				Temperature Coefficient			Fuse Rating	System	Length	Width	Height	Weight	
		Pmax (W)	Voc (V)	lsc (A)	Vmpp (V)	lmpp (A)	Pmax (%/°C)	Voc (%/°C)	lsc (%/°C)	(A)	Voltage (V)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(kg)
	60M-315	315	40.32	10.16	33.70	9.33	-0.36	-0.30	0.04	20	1000	1666	1001	40	19.0
60M G1 SILVER	60M-320	320	40.50	10.20	34.10	9.37	-0.36	-0.30	0.04	20	1000	1666	1001	40	19.0
	60M-325	325	40.67	10.23	34.50	9.41	-0.36	-0.30	0.04	20	1000	1666	1001	40	19.0
	60M-310	310	40.13	10.22	33.54	9.27	-0.36	-0.30	0.04	20	1000	1666	1001	40	19.0
60M G1 BLACK	60M-315	315	40.32	10.16	33.70	9.33	-0.36	-0.30	0.04	20	1000	1666	1001	40	19.0
	60M-320	320	40.50	10.20	34.10	9.37	-0.36	-0.30	0.04	20	1000	1666	1001	40	19.0
	120HC-360	360	40.86	11.59	34.88	10.32	-0.39	-0.33	0.04	20	1000	1760	1048	40	19.5
	120HC-365	365	41.04	11.67	34.99	10.43	-0.39	-0.33	0.04	20	1000	1760	1048	40	19.5
120HC WID BLACK	120HC-370	370	41.22	11.75	35.12	10.54	-0.39	-0.33	0.04	20	1000	1760	1048	40	19.5
	120HC-375	375	41.40	11.83	35.26	10.65	-0.39	-0.33	0.04	20	1000	1760	1048	40	19.5
132HC G1 BLACK	132HC-350	350	44.22	9.84	36.95	9.49	-0.39	-0.33	0.04	20	1500	1860	1001	40	21.0
	72M-385	385	48.62	10.18	39.81	9.67	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
	72M-390	390	48.94	10.24	40.11	9.72	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
72M G1 SILVER	72M-395	395	49.26	10.29	40.40	9.78	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
	72M-400	400	49.58	10.35	40.70	9.83	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
	72M-405	405	49.90	10.41	41.00	9.88	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
72M G1 BLACK	72M-385	385	48.62	10.18	39.81	9.67	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
72WIGI BLACK	72M-390	390	48.94	10.24	40.11	9.72	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
	72M-385 Bifacial	385	48.62	10.18	39.81	9.67	-0.35	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
72M G1 RIEACIAL	72M-390 Bifacial	390	48.94	10.24	40.11	9.72	-0.36	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
72IVI GI DIFACIAL	72M-395 Bifacial	395	49.26	10.29	40.40	9.78	-0.35	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
	72M-400 Bifacial	400	49.58	10.35	40.70	9.83	-0.35	-0.31	0.06	20	1500	1986	1001	40	23.5
	144HC-450	450	50.74	11.51	42.17	10.69	-0.38	-0.32	0.05	20	1500	2108	1048	40	25.0
	144HC-460	460	51.26	11.93	42.31	10.88	-0.38	-0.32	0.05	20	1500	2108	1048	40	25.0
144HC M6 BIFACIAL	144HC-450 Bifacial	450	50.74	11.51	42.17	10.69	-0.39	-0.40	0.05	20	1500	2108	1048	40	25.0

Connector Information:

Manufacturer	Connector Model Name	Website	
Staubli Multi Contaat	PV-KBT4/6II-UR	http://ec.staubli.com	
Staubil Multi-Contact	PV-KST4/6II-UR		
Zhejiang Renhe Photovoltaic Technology Co Ltd.	05-8	www.renhesolar.com	
Zhejiang Jiaming Tianheyuan Photovoltalic Technology Co	PV-JM608	http://en.jmthy.com	

15. APPENDIX - Module Drawings













