

Home EV Charger Buying Guide

- 1. Check your EV plug type: Type 2 or CCS (Europe standard).
- 2. Get at least a 7kW charger for overnight charging speed.
- 3. Check your home power supply: single or three-phase?
- 4. Choose tethered (with cable) or untethered (flexible use).
- 5. Decide where to install: garage wall, driveway post, etc.
- 6. Look for an app or smart control for scheduling charges.
- 7. Consider solar integration if you have home panels.
- 8. Weatherproof rating matters: aim for IP54 or higher.
- 9. Pick cable length based on where your EV port is (5-7m).
- 10. Choose a compact model for tight spaces.
- 11. Make sure it has built-in fault protection (PEN, RCD).
- 12. Ask your installer about load balancing options.
- 13. Check if it qualifies for government grant schemes.
- 14. Get an installation quote-hardware + labor costs.
- 15. Verify CE or UKCA certification for safety compliance.
- 16. Consider EV tariffs that support off-peak charging savings.
- 17. Avoid overpaying for features you won't use (e.g. RFID).
- 18. Check reviews for reliability and app stability.
- 19. Ensure the brand has support or warranty services.
- 20. Buy once-plan for future car upgrades (capacity & plug type).