



Premium Efficiency Water Heaters and Wastewater Heat Recovery Systems

Oregon Department of Energy

The Oregon Residential Energy Tax Credit Program provides a tax credit for premium efficiency water heaters and wastewater heat recovery systems certified energy-efficient by the Oregon Department of Energy. The equipment must be new and located in an Oregon dwelling that is your primary or secondary residence. Motor homes or recreational vehicles do not qualify as dwellings.

Lists of eligible equipment by manufacturer and model are available from your dealer or from the Oregon Department of Energy and are updated regularly. Visit our Web site or call us at the number below.

Don't wait to apply for the tax credit as processing may take several weeks. You will receive a certification card that you will need when you file your Oregon tax return.

SAVE TIME
Apply on line and print out your tax credit certificate immediately. Go to:
www.oregon.gov/energy

Take the following steps to receive your tax credit:

- 1. Verify that the equipment you are buying is eligible for a tax credit and determine the tax credit amount.** Look up the equipment you intend to buy by manufacturer and model number on the Oregon Department of Energy list of qualifying water heaters or wastewater heat recovery systems. The tax credit you may claim is the amount on the list of qualifying equipment or 25 percent of the net purchase price of the equipment (not total job cost), whichever is less.
- 2. Submit a completed *Application and Verification Form for Tax Credit Certification - Premium Efficiency Water Heaters and Wastewater Heat Recovery Systems* or apply on line from our Web site.** Enter the model number as it appears on our list. Please print the application form, sign it and mail it with a copy of your receipt which clearly shows the date, name of dealer or installer, the make and model number of the equipment and the amount paid to the Oregon Department of Energy. Eligible expenses include receipts for your miscellaneous plumbing fittings, but not labor. If you qualify for the tax credit, the Oregon Department of Energy will approve your application and send you a Certification card indicating the qualifying tax credit amount.
- 3. Claim the tax credit on your state income tax form.** Keep your Certification postcard, a copy of your application, and proof of payment with your tax records. **Do not attach them to your tax return.** Upon audit or examination, the information shall be made available to the Oregon Department of Revenue to verify any credit claimed. Tax credits not taken in the first tax year may be carried forward for up to five years.

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Eligibility for the Oregon Residential Energy Tax Credit

To qualify for the Oregon Residential Energy Tax Credit, you must be an Oregon resident and the equipment must be located in an Oregon dwelling that is your primary or secondary (vacation) residence.

The tax credit issued normally applies to the tax year the equipment was purchased or placed in service as long as you place it in service by April 1st of the following year and the Oregon Department of Energy has received your completed application by that date.

The Oregon Department of Energy certifies the energy efficiency of systems and equipment for the Oregon Residential Energy Tax Credit program. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure compliance with all other eligibility requirements. If you have questions concerning claiming the credit on your Oregon tax return, contact the Oregon Department of Revenue at 1-800-356-4222 or (503) 378-4988.

Note: Your Social Security Number is required to process your tax credit application. It is used to establish your identity for tax purposes only and is authorized by Section 405, Title 42 of the United States Code. We cannot process your application without it.

Pass-through Option

If you are a full-time Oregon resident and do not have an Oregon income tax liability, you may choose to transfer your tax credit to another full-time Oregon resident or Oregon business that does have tax liability. The Pass-through Option will allow you to transfer your tax credit to an individual or business with an Oregon tax liability who will make a lump-sum payment to you based on a percentage of the certified tax credit amount. To use this option, complete this application form first. Your application will be reviewed for eligibility. A *Pass-through Option Application* will be sent to you in return. You and your pass-through partner (the tax credit recipient) will complete and sign the *Pass-through Option Application* and mail it to the Oregon Department of Energy. You are responsible for finding your own pass-through partner. The Oregon Department of Energy will then issue the tax credit certification to the pass-through partner. **The pass-through option is a one-time transfer and is final. There may be tax implications. We advise you to consult with your tax preparer or call the Department of Revenue.**

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If you have any questions about equipment eligibility or the tax credit application process, please see the Oregon Department of Energy Web site: www.oregon.gov/energy or call us toll-free: 1-800-221-8035. In Salem, please call (503) 378-4040.





Application and Verification Form For
Residential Energy Tax Credit

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1. Customer Information * Required to process

Name:		*Social Security No. ^A :	
Mailing address:		Daytime phone:	
City:	Oregon County:	State:	Zip:
Street address where appliance(s) will be used (if different):			
City:	Oregon County:	State:	Zip:
If different than mailing address, please explain:			
Check if this is your: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary residence <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary (vacation) home <input type="checkbox"/> I am the renter of this property <i>(Landlords and builders do not use this form)</i>			

2. Utility Information

Name of electric utility company:	Name of natural gas utility:
Fuel used for by water heater: <input type="checkbox"/> Electricity <input type="checkbox"/> Natural gas <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	

3. Information on Equipment

Provide the following information for the water heating or wastewater heat recovery (HR) system for which you are claiming a tax credit, and attach receipts for your purchase(s):

Manufacturer	Model No.	Net Price ^B	Tax Credit ^C	Date of Purchase
<i>Example</i>	<i>R75LSi</i>	<i>\$1270</i>	<i>\$317</i>	<i>Jan 4, 2012</i>

^A The request is authorized by Section 405, Title 42, of the United States Code. It is used to establish your identity for tax purposes only. We cannot process your application without it.
^B Your purchase price of the water heater (or waste water heat recovery device) and plumbing fittings needed for installation. Do not include installation labor cost or rebates.
^C The lesser of 25 percent of the net purchase price of the appliance or the amount shown on the Oregon Dept of Energy qualifying equipment list.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

File No.:
Date Received:
Tax Credit Amount:
Tax Year:

4. Pass-Through Option (Homeowner completes)

I want to keep the full tax credit myself

I want to transfer my tax credit to Oregon resident Oregon business

• If your tax credit is \$1,500 or less:

- Your pass-through partner will pay you 95% of the certified tax credit amount
- Your pass-through partner will receive 100% of the tax credit to be taken in one year

• If your tax credit is more than \$1,500:

- And your pass-through partner is a full-time Oregon resident, the partner will pay you 86% of the certified tax credit amount
- And your pass-through partner is an Oregon business, the partner will pay you 80% of the certified tax credit amount
- Your pass-through partner will receive 100% of the tax credit with a maximum amount of \$1,500 filed per year

To use this Pass-through Option, complete this application form first. Your application will be reviewed for eligibility. A Pass-through Option Application will be sent to you in return. **You are responsible for finding your own pass-through partner** (either a full-time Oregon resident or a business with Oregon state tax liability). You and your pass-through partner (the tax credit recipient) will complete and sign the Pass-through Option Application and mail it to the Oregon Department of Energy. **The pass-through option is a one-time transfer and is final.** The Department of Energy will then issue the tax credit certification to the pass-through partner. **Important: There may be tax implications for the pass through partner. We advise you to consult with your tax preparer.**

5. Declarations and Installation Verification

I understand that the Oregon Department of Energy does not make any warranty concerning the performance, operation, installation or any other characteristic or feature of water heaters. Energy Department approval is only for purposes of obtaining the Oregon Residential Energy Tax Credit. I certify that I am the original owner of the system(s). I certify that the system(s) are not installed in a recreational vehicle or motor home. By signing below, I (we) certify that the water heater described in this application is installed and that the information contained herein is accurate and true.

The Oregon Department of Energy does not sell information from this application as a mailing list. However, we may be required to disclose the name, address and phone number from your application under the Oregon Public Records law ORS 192.410 et seq. We can withhold the address and phone number following a written request explaining personal safety concerns, such as a temporary restraining order. The Oregon Department of Energy does not endorse any company that requests the information.

6. Application Signatures

You must sign below.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date _____

Signature of Joint Applicant: _____ Date _____

Co Applicant:

Only if two or more persons are purchasing this system **and** filing separate tax returns, give information below.

Name: _____ Address: _____ % ownership: _____

Social Security Number: _____ Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

7. Mailing Instructions

Before mailing, be sure your application is complete. It should include:

- Application form with your Social Security Number and signature
- Copy of itemized final receipt with full model numbers and your equipment-only cost.

Photocopy all documents for your records and mail to the address below.

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