



HOMEOWNERS AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS CAN QUALIFY FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY TAX CREDITS UNDER THE ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 2005.

TAX CREDITS APPLY TO:		
BUILDER	WORK MUST BE COMPLETED BETWEEN:	
Energy efficient new homes*	\$2,000 credit	January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2009
HOMEOWNER**		
Insulation upgrades	Up to \$1,500 credit	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010
High efficiency water heaters	Up to \$1,500 credit	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010
Energy efficient windows and doors	Up to \$1,500 credit	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010
High efficiency furnaces and boilers	Up to \$1,500 credit	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010
High efficiency central air conditioners	Up to \$1,500 credit	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010
High efficiency furnace and/or central air fans	Up to \$1,500 credit	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010
Ground source heat pumps	30% of project cost	October 3, 2008 and December 31, 2016
Solar electric power systems	30% of project cost	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2016
Solar hot water systems	30% of project cost	January 1, 2006 and December 31, 2016
Small wind power systems	30% of project cost	January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2016

*using less than half the energy of an average home Source: www.energytaxincentives.org
 **specific energy efficiency requirements apply

Source: energystar.gov

Who is eligible for tax credits?

Builders of an energy efficient new home are eligible for \$2,000 maximum tax credit. Existing home owners are eligible for \$1,500 maximum tax credit for efficiency improvements. An additional tax incentive is available for solar, wind and geothermal energy systems for both new and existing homes.

What are some things I should do?

- Save all your receipts and equipment documentation.
- Consult the IRS or your tax advisor.

How can Efficiency Vermont help?

- Efficiency Vermont can serve as an informational resource to Vermonters regarding energy efficiency improvements and requirements.
- We can help you identify qualifying home energy related equipment.

- For builders of new homes who are enrolled in the Vermont ENERGY STAR® Homes Service, we can offer technical assistance and verify required efficiency levels.
- Regardless of qualification for tax credits, Efficiency Vermont services can help you make your new or existing home more efficient.

Where can I find out more information?

The most complete and updated information is available online at www.energystar.gov, www.energytaxincentives.org or www.dsireusa.org. To learn more about solar and wind energy in Vermont contact the Renewable Energy Resource Center, www.nerc-vt.org. While we have made every effort to describe the tax credits accurately, we cannot provide tax advice and suggest you contact a tax professional with any questions specific to your situation.



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