



2.11 THERMWISE® BUILDER REBATES

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Residential homebuilders and owner-builders (Builder) can receive rebates for implementing qualifying measures as shown below in the Builder Rebates Table, in newly constructed single and multi-family residences that are receiving service on the GS rate schedule. A Builder will receive a rebate for up to two of each type of appliance or measure (excluding energy efficiency whole house measures) purchased and installed per dwelling unit. See example under Rebate Limitation section.

A Builder will receive a rebate for a dwelling unit that qualifies for an energy efficient Whole House certification, based upon the rebate tiers described below. A builder may receive additional rebates for additional measures as more specifically described below.

Rebates under the ThermWise Builder Rebates program will be paid directly to a Builder as indicated on the application for implementing the qualifying energy-efficiency measures. Qualifying appliances and measures are listed in the Builder Rebates Table.

WHOLE HOUSE CERTIFICATION

THERMWISE BUILDER OPTION 1 (ENERGY STAR 2010 – Current)

Builders can receive rebates for a single family dwelling unit that qualifies under the 2010 version of ENERGY STAR Whole House certification (version 2.0) and includes a 90% or greater AFUE furnace or qualified space heating appliance, and an EF of 0.62 or greater water heater or qualified water heating appliance. Verification and an ENERGY STAR compliance certificate will be required from the Builder before the ThermWise Builder Option 1 rebate will be paid.

THERMWISE BUILDER OPTION 2 (ENERGY STAR 2011)

Builders can receive rebates for building a dwelling unit that meets ENERGY STAR version 2.5 certification. Field verification and proof of ENERGY STAR certification will be required before rebates will be paid. Homes must include a 92% or greater AFUE furnace or qualified space heating appliance and an EF of 0.62 or greater water heater or qualified water heating appliance.

THERMWISE BUILDER OPTION 3 (HIGH PERFORMANCE HOME)

Builders can receive rebates for building a single family High Performance Home. To qualify a dwelling unit must meet or exceed ENERGY STAR version 3.0 and include a 95% or greater AFUE furnace or qualified space heating appliance and an EF of 0.62 or greater water heater or qualified water heating appliance. The home must also meet or exceed 2006 IECC by 30%. Field verification, and an ENERGY STAR certificate and documentation verifying the home has met the High Performance Home requirements will be required from the Builder before the High Performance Home rebate will be paid.



ENERGY STAR MULTIFAMILY

Builders can receive rebates for building a multi-family residence that meets ENERGY STAR certification. Field verification and proof of ENERGY STAR certification will be required before rebates will be paid. New construction projects with a 2010 or earlier building permit will be required to meet ENERGY STAR 2.0 standards. These units will be eligible to receive ENERGY STAR whole house multifamily rebates and additional rebates for qualified equipment that is installed. New construction projects with a 2011 or later building permit will be required to meet ENERGY STAR 2.5 standards, including a 90% or greater AFUE furnace, and a 0.62 Energy Factor (EF) water heater.

MEASURES, QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND REBATE AMOUNTS

To receive a rebate, Builders must submit a completed application form and any required supporting documentation. The ThermWise Builder Rebates Table provides applicable measures, qualifications and rebate amounts.

SINGLE FAMILY (4 or less) THERMWISE BUILDER REBATES TABLE		
Builder Rebates Efficiency Measure	Minimum Efficiency Qualification	Rebate Amount
ThermWise Builder Option 1 (ENERGY STAR 2010 – Current)	Meet or exceed ENERGY STAR v. 2.0 and include a 90% or greater AFUE furnace or qualified space heating appliance, and an EF of 0.62 or greater water heater or qualified water heating appliance	\$600.00
ThermWise Builder Option 2 (ENERGY STAR 2011)	Meet or exceed ENERGY STAR v. 2.5 and include a 92% or greater AFUE furnace or qualified space heating appliance, and an EF of 0.62 or greater water heater or qualified water heating appliance	\$700.00
ThermWise Builder Option 3 (HIGH PERFORMANCE HOME)	Meet or exceed ENERGY STAR v. 3.0 and include a 95% or greater AFUE furnace or qualified space heating appliance and an EF of 0.62 or greater water heater or qualified water heating appliance. Home must also meet or exceed 2006 IECC by 30%	\$850.00
High-Efficiency Gas Water Heater - Tier 1	$EF \geq 0.62, < 0.67$ Minimum 40 gallon capacity	\$50.00
High-Efficiency Gas Water Heater – Tier 2	$EF \geq 0.67$ Minimum 40 gallon capacity	\$100.00
High-Efficiency Condensing Gas Storage Water Heater	$EF \geq 0.90$	\$350.00



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High-Efficiency Hybrid Gas Water Heater	TE ≥ 90%	\$350.00
Tankless Gas Water Heater – Tier 1	EF ≥ 0.82 ≤ 0.89	\$300.00
Tankless Gas Water Heater – Tier 2	EF ≥ 0.90	\$350.00
High-Efficiency Gas Furnace – Tier 1	AFUE ≥ 90% < 92%	\$200.00
High-Efficiency Gas Furnace – Tier 2	AFUE ≥ 92% < 95%	\$300.00
High-Efficiency Gas Furnace – Tier 3	AFUE ≥ 95%	\$350.00
Residential Gas Boiler	AFUE ≥ 95%	\$600.00
Solar Assisted Gas Water Heating	Active system certified OG-300 by SRCC	\$750.00
Direct Vent Natural Gas Fireplace	AFUE ≥ 70%, intermittent ignition, heat rated, thermostatically controlled with a blower	\$200.00
MULTIFAMILY (5 or more units)		
ENERGY STAR Multifamily (2010 or earlier building permit)	ENERGY STAR v. 2.0 Certification	\$250.00
ENERGY STAR Multifamily (2011 building permit)	Meet or exceed ENERGY STAR v. 2.5 and include a AFUE ≥ 92% or qualified space heating appliance and an EF 0.62 or better water heater or qualified water heating appliance	\$500.00
High-Efficiency Gas Water Heater – Tier 1	EF ≥ 0.62 < 0.67 Minimum 40 gallon capacity	\$50.00
High-Efficiency Gas Water Heater – Tier 2	EF ≥ 0.67 Minimum 40 gallon capacity	\$100.00
High-Efficiency Condensing Gas Storage Water Heater	EF ≥ 0.90	\$350.00
High-Efficiency Hybrid Gas Water Heater	TE ≥ 90%	\$350.00
Tankless Gas Water Heater – Tier 1	EF ≥ 0.82 < 0.90	\$300.00
Tankless Gas Water Heater – Tier 2	EF ≥ 0.90	\$350.00



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High-Efficiency Gas Furnace – Tier 1	AFUE ≥ 90% < 92%	\$200.00
High-Efficiency Gas Furnace – Tier 2	AFUE ≥ 92% < 95%	\$300.00
High-Efficiency Gas Furnace – Tier 3	AFUE ≥ 95%	\$350.00
Residential Gas Boilers	AFUE ≥ 95%	\$600.00
Solar Assisted Gas Water Heating	Active system certified OG- 300 by SRCC	\$750.00
Direct-Vent Natural Gas Fireplace	AFUE ≥ 70%, intermittent ignition, heat rated, thermostatically controlled with a blower	\$200.00
Definitions: AFUE Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency HERS Home Energy Rating System ICEE International Energy Conservation Code SRCC Solar Rating and Certification Corporation TE Thermal Efficiency		

REBATE LIMITATIONS

Builders are eligible to receive rebates for a maximum of two (2) qualifying measures per measure type in each newly constructed dwelling unit. Mandatory space and water heating requirements now exist in each of the three (3) different energy efficiency Whole Home certifications. If Builders install additional qualifying measures in a dwelling unit, they would be eligible to receive rebates for one (1) additional measure per type above the mandatory requirement. For example if an ENERGY STAR certified home has three (3) qualifying furnace units and two (2) qualifying water heaters, the participant would be eligible to receive the appropriate energy efficient whole home certification rebate and be eligible to receive additional rebates for one (1) qualifying furnace and one (1) qualifying water heater. Multifamily units permitted prior to January 1, 2011 are eligible to receive ENERGY STAR multifamily rebates plus additional rebates for qualifying appliances that are installed. Units permitted after January 1, 2011 will be eligible for rebates as set forth in the table.

Builders are eligible to receive rebates for a maximum of two (2) qualifying measures per measure type in each newly constructed dwelling unit. If a Builder chooses not to certify the residence using any of the energy efficiency Whole Home measures, the Builder may receive up to two (2) stand-alone rebates for each qualifying measure type that is installed. For example if a new home was not ENERGY STAR certified but the Builder had installed three (3) qualifying furnace units and two (2) qualifying water heaters, the Builder could receive rebates for two (2) qualifying furnace units and two (2) qualifying water heaters.

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