



How to claim an Energy Efficient Home Improvement tax credit

RESIDENTIAL ENERGY PROPERTY

*Residential energy property that meets the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) highest efficiency tier, not including any advanced tier, in effect at the beginning of the year when the property is installed is qualified energy property. You can find out if your property is eligible before purchasing by search for products on [Energy Star](#).

Costs of electrical components needed to support residential energy property, including panelboards, sub-panelboards, branch circuits, and feeders, also qualify for the credit if they meet the National Electric Code and have a capacity of 200 amps or more.

Oil furnaces or hot water boilers can also qualify through [other efficiency criteria](#).

Heat pumps and biomass stoves and boilers with a thermal efficiency rating of at least 75% qualify for a credit.

Costs may include labor for installation.

Use these steps for claiming an energy efficient home improvement tax credit for residential energy property.

STEP 1

Check eligibility of your home and property

Your home

- Located in the US
- Existing home
- [Primary residence](#)

Qualified energy property*

- Central air conditioners
- Natural gas, propane or oil water heaters
- Natural gas, propane or oil furnaces
- Hot water boilers

STEP 2

Buy and install the energy property

Purchase, install and use your qualified energy property.

STEP 3

Get documentation

Retain your purchase receipts and installation records.

STEP 4

File Form 5695 with your tax return

File [Form 5695, Residential Energy Credits](#) when you file your tax return for year in which your residential energy property was put in service.

