



Appliance Rebates

www.appliancerebates.sc.gov

S.C. residents can receive rebates ranging from \$50 to \$500 for the purchase of new ENERGY STAR certified refrigerators, dishwashers, water heaters and other appliances starting March 31, 2010. This program is funded by South Carolina's share of federal stimulus funds earmarked for appliance rebates. Each state is operating its own program. South Carolina's program is operated by the Budget and Control Board's S.C. Energy Office.

Program launch date – March 31, 2010. Purchases prior to March 31 are not eligible for rebates.

Program end date – When all funds are exhausted. We expect that this may happen within a matter of weeks.

Total amount in rebates – \$3.9 million. A “funds remaining calculator” at www.appliancerebates.sc.gov will track the amount remaining for rebates.

How consumers receive rebates – For appliances bought in a store, the rebate will be applied instantly when the customer goes to the register. Installers of whole-house equipment such as water heaters and HVAC systems will reserve rebates online and then provide customers with mail-in forms. Rebates will not apply to online purchases.

How retailers and contractors can participate – Retailers and contractors will be able to sign up beginning January 30 through the web site. Training tools will be available at www.appliancerebates.sc.gov to explain how to sign up and how to enter rebates. Contractors and retailers must agree to recycle old items which are being replaced.

Rebate levels – Rebate levels are based upon the cost difference between a standard and an ENERGY STAR appliance and the amount of energy saved.

ENERGY STAR advantage – Energy Star qualified appliances use 10–15 percent less energy and water than standard models.

Recycling required – Customers who purchase a new appliance must allow contractors and retailers to remove and recycle their old appliance. Recycling is required to ensure that inefficient appliances are removed from the power grid.

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| Clothes washers | \$100 |
| Dishwashers | \$50 |
| Refrigerators | \$50 |
| Room Air Conditioning Units | \$50 |
| Central Air Conditioning Units | \$200 |
| Heat Pump | \$500 |
| Gas Furnace | \$500 |
| Gas-Condensing Water Heater | \$400 |
| Electric Heat Pump Water Heater | \$400 |
| Hi-Efficiency Gas Storage Water Heater | \$100 |
| Hi-Performance Gas Storage Water Heater | \$200 |
| Gas Tankless Water Heater | \$400 |
| Solar Electric Water Heater | \$400 |
| Solar Gas Water Heater | \$400 |

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