ENERGY STAR® REFRIGERATOR REBATE FOR LOUISIANA AND TEXAS RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

With an ENERGY STAR certified refrigerator or cooler, you can maximize your energy and dollar savings without sacrificing the features you want. ENERGY STAR certified refrigerators are about 9 percent more energy efficient than models that meet the federal minimum energy efficiency standard. By properly recycling your old refrigerator and replacing it with a new ENERGY STAR certified refrigerator, you can save about \$230 over the 12-year lifetime of the product.

WHY PURCHASE AN ENERGY STAR-CERTIFIED REFRIGERATOR?

ENERGY STAR certified refrigerators offer high performance features such as

- High-efficiency compressors that create less heat and use less energy.
- Improved insulation that helps food stay cold.
- Temperature and defrost mechanisms that help the refrigerator operate more efficiently.

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I LOOK FOR WHEN BUYING A REFRIGERATOR?

- An appropriately sized refrigerator. The most energy-efficient models are typically 16-20 cubic feet.
- Consider purchasing a refrigerator with a top freezer. Models with the freezer on top tend to use the least energy.
- Consider buying a refrigerator with fewer doors. Fewer doors reduce the air leakage.
- Consider selecting a refrigerator with a lower Global Warming Potential refrigerant. Refrigerants with lower global warming potential (GWP) for refrigerators include R-600a and R-441A.
- Consider replacing your old fridge and recycling your old second refrigerator. Refrigerators over 15 years old could be costing you more about \$90 per year to run. If you need a second refrigerator year-round, replace the old one with a new ENERGY STAR certified. *

HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE IN THE REFRIGERATOR REBATE PROGRAM?

SWEPCO's Louisiana and Texas residential customers who own or rent a home or an apartment can upgrade their existing refrigerator to an ENERGY STAR-certified refrigerator to qualify for a \$100 rebate. Please note that refrigerator rebates have limited funding. Rebates are only available while funding lasts.

Refrigerators that earn the ENERGY STAR label have been independently certified, based on actual field data, to deliver energy savings. Here is a list of <u>ENERGY STAR-Certified Residential Refrigerators</u>.

You can purchase a refrigerator online or at a local retailer. Be sure to save your receipt since it's part of your rebate application.

Once you've installed your refrigerator and it's operational, you're ready to submit your rebate request through this online application.

^{*}Source: energystar.gov

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REFRIGERATOR REBATE RULES

REFRIGERATOR REBATE PROGRAM RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR LOUISIANA AND TEXAS

Receive \$100 per ENERGY STAR-certified refrigerator. Limit two (2) per service address.

REBATE DETAILS:

- Rebate applies only to SWEPCO Louisiana and Texas customers with an active residential account
- Rebates are limited to two (2) refrigerators per home.
- Rebate will not exceed sales receipt amount.
- Rebates are issued in the form of a gift card, not utility bill credits.
- The pre-paid Visa gift card must be activated within seven (7) months of receipt and all funds on the card must be used within four (4) months of activation.
- Rebate application and copy of sales receipt showing retailer name, address, purchase date, price, proof of payment, product manufacturer and model must be submitted within 30 days of device installation and setup.
- SWEPCO is not responsible for inaccurate information.
- Funding for this program is limited to funds availability.

REBATE APPLICATION DETAILS:

Qualifying refrigerators must have receipt dated on or after January 1 of the current year. Completed rebate application and copy of sales receipt showing retailer name, address, purchase date, price, proof of payment, product manufacturer and model must be submitted within 30 days of device installation and setup. Rebates will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until the allocated program funds are depleted. First-come, first-served status will be determined by the date the rebate application is received by the program administrator.

Failure to complete all information will result in denial of rebate. SWEPCO reserves the right to amend or suspend this program without notice.

SWEPCO reserves the right to conduct random inspections to verify installation of the incentivized equipment at the installation address listed on the form. The customer agrees to allow SWEPCO access to the equipment. SWEPCO reserves the right to inspect installations before issuing a rebate. If the residence does not have the qualifying material or work installed, the homeowner may be required to pay back the rebate.

LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION

In no way shall SWEPCO be liable for, and Customer hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless SWEPCO, its subsidiaries or affiliates, and their respective employees, officers and directors, from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, cost or expense, including attorney's fees, that may be caused by, due to, occasioned by, or otherwise arising out of the installation, operation, or misuse of customer's installed materials and installations.

Customer acknowledges and agrees that in no event shall any statement, representation, or lack thereof, either express or implied, SWEPCO, relieve the customer of exclusive responsibility for the customer's systems. Specifically, SWEPCO approval of the rebate application, payment of the rebate, or any SWEPCO inspection of the qualifying materials and installations shall not be construed as confirming or endorsing the materials or installation or its operating or maintenance procedures nor as a warranty or guarantee as to the safety, reliability, or durability of the materials or installation.

SWEPCO is not responsible for items lost or delayed in the mail, or any rebate delayed due to incomplete or incorrect information on the rebate application and/or receipt.

SWEPCO is not responsible for any taxes that may be imposed as a result of your receipt of any rebate.

QUALIFYING CUSTOMERS:

- This program is available only to SWEPCO residential customers who own or rent a residential home or an apartment.
- To qualify, the unit(s) installed must be ENERGY STAR certified.

QUALIFYING INSTALLATION:

ENERGY STAR-certified Refrigerators must be fully installed and operational prior to submitting a rebate application. For your convenience, here is a list of ENERGY STAR-Certified Residential Refrigerators.

Refrigerator installation must conform to all applicable building, local and state codes, manufacturer specifications and requirements.

HOW TO SUBMIT REBATE APPLICATION:

Qualifying customers with qualifying installations can submit a rebate request through this online application.

Please allow three (3) to five (5) weeks after submitting your online application for the rebate to be processed. Make a copy of all receipts and documentation for your records before submitting for the rebate. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Guisinger at 479-973-2403 or nsguisinger@aep.com.