

Maine Policy & Incentives Highlights



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Definitions

Building Codes	Building Performance Standards	Incentives & Rebates
<p>Model Building Codes: National consensus-based codes like ASHRAE® Standard 90.1 and IECC</p> <p>State Building Codes: Often based on model codes, but can be unique to local market</p> <p>Stretch Building Codes: A locally mandated code or alternative compliance path that is more aggressive than base code</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (BPS) Complements building energy codes; the 2 strategies work in tandem to improve building performance • State/City laws that require existing buildings to improve energy efficiency and/or carbon emissions • Typically, includes energy efficiency, water conservation, indoor air quality and indoor environmental standards 	<p>Prescriptive: includes...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct 1:1 replacement for commonly installed equipment • Specific dollar amounts for completing qualifying energy efficiency measures <p>Custom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on energy saved over a specified baseline period • Calculated in terms of peak kW, kWh, therms or per sq ft to be saved by efficiency measure or equipment

Maine State Energy Policy

Energy efficiency is an important and economical tool to reduce energy costs, decrease greenhouse gas emissions and reliance on fossil fuels, manage energy demand, and create clean energy jobs.

The Governor's Energy Office works closely with two primary agencies to ensure robust coordinated efforts for the deployment of energy-efficient technologies in an equitable, economical, and efficient manner. The two primary state agencies that provide support for energy efficiency technology adoption are:

- [Efficiency Maine Trust \(Efficiency Maine\)](#) Efficiency Maine is Maine's quasi-state agency and independent administrator for programs to improve energy efficiency for low-income, residential, commercial, and industrial participants.
- [Maine State Housing Authority \(MaineHousing\)](#). MaineHousing is an independent authority created by the Maine State Legislature to address problems of unsafe, unsuitable, overcrowded, and unaffordable housing including clean heating and weatherization.

[Maine Governor's Energy Office - News and Updates](#)

Energy Efficiency Goals – Learn more about:

[Maine Energy Plan: Pathway to 2040](#) - The Governor's Energy Office is starting a planning effort for achieving the use of 100 percent clean energy in Maine by 2040.

- [Heat Pumps](#)
- [Weatherization](#)
- [Building Codes](#)

Commercial and Industrial Prescriptive Initiatives

[Saving Energy At Work - Maine Business Energy Efficiency Programs | Efficiency Maine](#)

- [Commercial Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning \(HVAC\) Solutions - Efficiency Maine](#)
- [Multifamily Weatherization Solutions - Efficiency Maine](#)
- [Refrigeration Solutions - Efficiency Maine](#)
- [Commercial High-Efficiency Lighting Solutions & Incentives | Efficiency Maine](#)
- [High-Efficiency Air Compressor Incentives | Efficiency Maine](#)
- [High-Efficiency Agricultural Equipment Incentives | Efficiency Maine](#)
- [Commercial Water Heater Incentives | Efficiency Maine](#)
- [High-Efficiency Commercial Kitchen Equipment Incentives | Efficiency Maine](#)

Commercial and Industrial Rebates, Incentives & Energy Efficiency Programs

- Locate and contact an [Efficiency Maine Qualified Partner](#) to find out more about Efficiency Maine programs for your business.
- [All Rebates Brochure](#)
- [Natural Gas Incentives For Business Customers](#)
- [Mainers' Guide to Climate Incentives](#)

Learn more about financial support from state and federal programs can help make smart, climate-friendly investments in homes, transportation, business, and more.

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