

Commercial rebate application

# Space and water heating equipment

**Rebates are available for qualifying equipment, services and products purchased and installed between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019.**

energySMART rebates are available to Nicor Gas customers on a commercial rate class and multi-family properties consisting of five units or more. Complete all fields in the application to apply for rebates.

**Get ready:**

Review the eligibility requirements and terms and conditions throughout the application to verify that you are eligible for a rebate. Collect all required information listed on page four to complete your application.

**Get started:**

Complete, sign and mail the application. All applications must be postmarked within 90 days of installation or by January 31, 2020, whichever comes first. Mail your signed application and invoice or receipt to:

**Nicor Gas**  
**Attn: energySMART 19-59065**  
**P.O. Box 540071**  
**El Paso, TX 88554-0071**

**Get your rebate:**

You will receive your rebate check approximately six to eight weeks after your application has been reviewed and approved.

To check the status of your rebate, visit [nicorgasrebates.com/status](http://nicorgasrebates.com/status). Need help? Call us at **877.886.4239**. (Mon–Fri, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or email [info@nicorgasrebates.com](mailto:info@nicorgasrebates.com)

**▶ Customer information**

Nicor Gas account number

Please provide the first 10 digits of your account number. Include any leading zeros but do not include dashes.

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Business/account holder name (as it appears on account)

Installation address

City

State

ZIP code

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Is this a **private** or **public** (taxpayer-funded) facility?  Private  Public

**Private:** This business is independently owned and operated, and has fewer than 10 locations.

Yes  No

**Public:** Please select the public sector class.

Local government  State  
 Federal

Applicant contact first name

Applicant contact last name

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Phone number

Email address

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Site contact first name

Site contact last name

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Phone number

Email address

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**▶ Contractor information**

Contractor business name (as it appears on invoice or receipt)

Contact first name

Contact last name

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Address

City

State

ZIP code

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Phone number

Email address (if available)

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## Does my building qualify as multi-family?

Multi-family properties must consist of five units or more, have permanent or semi-permanent tenants and be an apartment/condominium, assisted living facility or retirement home.

## ► Rebate check

Make check payable to (select one)

- Account holder
- Contractor Circle installing member

Landlord   
(required if landlord is selected)

Mailing address (if different than installation address)

Attention to

## ► Building type

Select the building type that best describes the location where the equipment was installed or services were performed

(please select only one building type)

### Multi-family

- High-rise (5 stories or more)
- Mid-rise (up to 4 stories)
- Assisted living
- Airport
- Assembly (theater, hall, arena)
- College/University
- Convenience
- Correctional facility
- Elementary school
- Garage
- Grocery
- Healthcare clinic
- High school
- Hospital (CAV, no economizer)\*
- Hospital (CAV, economizer)\*
- Hospital (VAV, economizer)\*
- Hospital (FCU)\*
- Hotel/Motel (guest room only)
- Hotel/Motel (common area only)
- Hotel/Motel (common area/guest room)
- Manufacturing facility
- Movie theater
- Office - high-rise (10+ floors, CAV, no economizer)\*
- Office - high-rise (10+ floors, CAV, economizer)\*
- Office - high-rise (10+ floors, VAV, economizer)\*
- Office - high-rise (10+ floors, FCU)\*
- Office - mid-rise (5-9 floors)
- Office - low-rise (up to 4 floors)
- Public municipal library
- Religious facility
- Restaurant
- Retail - department store
- Retail - strip mall
- Warehouse

## ► Applicant signature

I certify that the energy-efficient product, equipment or service was paid for as reflected on the invoice or receipt and as described in this rebate application. I certify that all information provided in connection with this rebate application is true and correct, and that I have met all program requirements set forth in this application and in the terms and conditions. I understand and agree to the terms and conditions for which I am submitting this rebate application. I understand that rebate amounts are based upon verification of information provided in this application.

Applicant signature  Date

Print applicant name  Promo code (if applicable)

\* Please see page six for additional information on these building types.



# Product information

Collect the following information from your contractor for the service(s) provided. Verify your invoice/receipt is legible and includes all of the information listed on page six. Contact your contractor before submitting your application if any information is illegible or missing, as that may delay processing of your rebate. **If you are applying for more than one type of product or equipment rebate, complete and submit additional copies of applicable pages as necessary.**

## ▶ Boilers

Check one:	Rebate
<b>Condensing boilers</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 299 MBTUH	<b>\$500</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 300-499 MBTUH	<b>\$1,500</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 500-999 MBTUH	<b>\$2,500</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 1,000-1,699 MBTUH	<b>\$5,000</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 1,700-2,500 MBTUH	<b>\$7,500</b>
<b>Non-condensing boilers</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 299 MBTUH	<b>\$400</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 300-499 MBTUH	<b>\$1,000</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 500-999 MBTUH	<b>\$1,250</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 1,000-1,699 MBTUH	<b>\$1,750</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> 1,700-2,500 MBTUH	<b>\$2,500</b>

Manufacturer	Model
Total installed cost* (per boiler)	
Quantity (of boilers)	
Install date	

### Eligibility requirements

- Condensing boilers must have a TE<sup>†</sup> ≥ 90% with an input capacity of 300-2,500 MBTUH<sup>†</sup>, or an AFUE<sup>§</sup> ≥ 90% with an input capacity of 0-299 MBTUH.
- Non-condensing boilers must have a TE ≥ 85% with an input capacity of 300-2,500 MBTUH, or an AFUE ≥ 85% with an input capacity of 0-299 MBTUH.
- Condensing boilers must have an outdoor-air reset control installed (either integrated or added onto the system), unless the supply temperature does not exceed 140 F.
- End-use must be space-heating.

## ▶ Furnaces

Check one:	Rebate
<input type="checkbox"/> AFUE ≥ 92%	<b>\$300</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> AFUE ≥ 95%	<b>\$400</b>

\* **Total installed cost:** the total purchase price of an individual piece of equipment, including the cost of the equipment, materials and external labor. **Total installed cost** must be itemized by each equipment/product installed and entered above. The itemized contractor invoice must include the **total installed cost**, itemized by each qualifying equipment/product on the invoice. If self-installed, only the cost of the equipment may be used.

<sup>†</sup> MBTUH = Thousand British Thermal Units per Hour  
<sup>†</sup> TE = Thermal Efficiency  
<sup>§</sup> AFUE = Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency

Manufacturer	Model
Total installed cost* (per furnace)	
Quantity (of furnaces)	
Install date	

### Eligibility requirements

- Residential-sized furnaces must be installed in commercial or multi-family spaces and must be used for space heating.
- Furnaces must have an input capacity ≤ 225 MBTUH.



## ► Infrared heaters

### Check one: Rebate

Low-intensity heater

**\$700**

Manufacturer	Model
Total installed cost* (per heater)	Quantity (of heaters)
Install date	

#### Eligibility requirements

- Only low-intensity heaters are eligible.
- Heaters must be designated for indoor uses only.
- Heaters must have an electric ignition and must use non-conditioned air for combustion.

## ► Condensing unit heaters

### Check one: Rebate

TE ≥ 90%

**\$325**

Manufacturer	Model
Total installed cost* (per heater)	Quantity (of heaters)
Install date	

#### Eligibility requirements

- Must have a TE<sup>†</sup> ≥ 90% and input capacity ≤ 300 MBTUH<sup>†</sup>. Heater must be vented and condensate drained per manufacturer specifications.
- Heater must be replacing an existing, non-condensing unit heater.

## ► Direct-fired space heaters

### Check one: Rebate

< 800 MBTUH

**\$250**

800-1,600 MBTUH

**\$500**

> 1,600 MBTUH

**\$750**

Manufacturer	Model
Total installed cost* (per heater)	Quantity (of heaters)
Install date	

What did the direct-fired unit heater replace?

Steam coils     Gas-fired unit heater     Rooftop unit (RTU)     Other

#### Eligibility requirements

- Must have TE ≥ 92%.
- Must be classified as high temperature heating and ventilation (HTHV) equipment.
- Must be a retrofit, replacing existing equipment in an existing space.
- Must have a ≥ 140 F temperature rise and ≥ 150 F discharge temperature.
- Only high-ceiling warehouses that do not have any other destratification technologies installed (i.e. destratification fans, air rotation units etc.) are eligible to participate.
- The installed direct fired space heaters must be the warehouse's primary heat source.

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<sup>†</sup> MBTUH = Thousand British Thermal Units per Hour

<sup>†</sup> TE = Thermal Efficiency



## ▶ Storage water heaters

### Check one:

### Rebate

ENERGY STAR® water heater,  $\leq 75$  MBTUH, EF  $\geq 0.67$  and tank size  $\leq 55$  gallon

**\$50**

ENERGY STAR® water heater,  $> 75$  MBTUH and TE  $\geq 88\%$

**\$100**

Manufacturer

Model

Total installed cost\* (per water heater)

Quantity (of water heaters) Tank size (in gallons)

Install date

### Eligibility requirements

- Water heaters with input capacity  $\leq 75$  MBTUH<sup>†</sup> must be natural gas storage water heaters with an EF<sup>‡</sup>  $\geq 0.67$ , tank size  $\leq 55$  gallons and must meet ENERGY STAR standards.
- Water heaters with input capacity  $> 75$  MBTUH must be natural gas storage water heaters with a TE<sup>§</sup>  $\geq 88\%$  and must meet

ENERGY STAR standards. All tank sizes qualify.

- Rebate amount is determined by the input capacity of the natural gas storage water heater.
- Indirect and instantaneous (tankless) water heaters are not eligible.

## ▶ Programmable thermostats

### Check one:

### Rebate

Programmable thermostat

**\$25**

Manufacturer

Model

Total installed cost\* (per thermostat)

Quantity (of thermostats)

Install date

### Eligibility requirements

- The programmable thermostat must be capable of maintaining separate programs for weekdays and weekends, with at least two temperature settings for each program.
- Must be installed on systems with space heating equipment  $< 300$  MBTUH.
- Thermostats installed as part of a new facility construction are not eligible for rebates.

- Must replace manual-only temperature control or thermostat.
- Must be installed on single zone heating systems.

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† MBTUH = Thousand British Thermal Units per Hour

‡ TE = Thermal Efficiency

§ EF = Energy Factor



## ▶ Attach supplemental documents

Don't forget to submit a copy of the itemized invoice(s) or proof of purchase which must include:

- Contractor name and contact information (if applicable)
- Business or property name and installation address
- Installation date
- Equipment/product manufacturer and model
- Total installed cost (itemized by each piece of qualifying equipment)
- Proof of payment or payment terms (for example: balance due of zero, financing terms or paid-in-full stamp)
- For Contractor Circle installing members providing the rebate as an instant discount:** Include a customer-signed invoice showing the rebate amount deducted from the purchase price, clearly labeled as an energySMART or Nicor Gas rebate. Other discounts or rebates unrelated to energySMART should be shown as a separate line item.

### Building type guide

Detailed description of building ventilation system types for hospitals or high-rise office buildings.

Choose the building type on page two that corresponds with your ventilation system.

Have questions?  
Call us at 877.886.4239

Ventilation system type	Abbreviation
<b>Constant air volume ventilation (CAV), no economizer</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does not contain variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers</li> <li>• Cannot use an economizer for free cooling, likely to be an older system</li> </ul>	CAV, no econ
<b>Constant air volume ventilation (CAV) with economizer</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does not contain variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers</li> <li>• System has the ability to use an economizer for free cooling</li> </ul>	CAV, econ
<b>Variable air volume ventilation (VAV) with economizer</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contains variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers</li> <li>• System has the ability to use an economizer for free cooling</li> </ul>	VAV, econ
<b>Fan coil unit (FCU) for ventilation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has units that consist of a heating or cooling coil and a fan</li> <li>• Each fan coil unit serves the space where it is installed or multiple spaces</li> </ul>	FCU

## energySMART rebate terms and conditions

### Participant eligibility

You are eligible to participate in energySMART ("the program") if you are a current Nicor Gas:

- Commercial customer and complete qualifying services or complete installation of qualifying equipment/products in a non-residential space with an active Nicor Gas account. Self-directed customers are not eligible.

OR

- Residential customer in a multi-family building that has permanent or semi-permanent residents. Multi-family buildings have five or more units and are limited to apartments, condominiums, assisted living facilities and retirement communities.

### Installation requirements

Your installation of qualifying high-efficiency natural gas equipment/products or completion of a qualifying service is eligible for a rebate if:

- It meets all specific energy efficiency and program requirements outlined in this application.
- The equipment/product is purchased new. Resale equipment/products, new parts installed in existing equipment/products, or equipment/products that are leased, rebuilt, rented, received from insurance or warranty claims or won as a prize do not qualify.
- Natural gas equipment/product replacing electric equipment/product and electric equipment/product replacing natural gas equipment/product is not eligible.
- For existing facilities, the qualifying natural gas equipment/product installed is replacing existing natural gas equipment/product used for the same purpose.
- For new facilities, including new construction and projects involving a major remodel or demolition and renovation, qualifying equipment/product must meet all other program qualifications.
- It is installed or the service is completed by a qualified individual, compliant with all applicable building, local and state codes and manufacturer specifications. Installations must adhere to applicable environmental, health and safety regulations, and the equipment/product must be properly ventilated (if applicable). Professional installation is not required but is strongly recommended to ensure the efficient and proper functioning of equipment/product.
- The equipment/product is installed and operational and the service was completed at the address listed on the application prior to submittal of this application.
- It is installed or completed in a property owned by the applicant, or the applicant has received permission from the property owner to install the equipment/product or complete the qualifying service. The applicant's signature on the application and/or invoice indicates that the appropriate permission has been obtained.
- It is purchased and installed or service is completed between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019.

### Application requirements

To be considered complete and eligible for rebates, all applications must:

- Be postmarked or submitted online no later than 90 days after the installation date, or by January 31, 2020, whichever comes first.
- Include itemized contractor invoice(s) or proof of purchase receipt(s) consisting of:
  - Contractor name and contact information (if applicable)
  - Business or property name and installation address
  - Installation date
  - Equipment/product manufacturer and model
  - Total installed cost (itemized by each piece of qualifying equipment)
  - Proof of payment or payment terms (for example: balance due of zero, financing terms or paid-in-full stamp)
- Include all required supporting documentation.
- Meet instant discount requirements, if applicable.
- Be signed by the Nicor Gas account holder unless the rebate is being made payable to a Contractor Circle installing member.
- Use separate applications if applying for products installed by different contractors.

Online applications must be:

- Submitted online at [nicorgasrebates.com/apply](http://nicorgasrebates.com/apply)
- Accompanied by a copy of the required contractor invoice(s) or receipt(s).

### Payee information

- The program allows the rebate check to be made payable to one of the following: Nicor Gas account holder, landlord or current Contractor Circle installing member.
- If you are the account holder and want the rebate check to be made payable to you, please complete the rebate application, provide the required supporting documentation listed on the rebate application and sign as the "Applicant."
- In the event a rebate check made payable to the account holder remains uncashed for longer than 90 days, Nicor Gas reserves the right to cancel the check and credit the account holder's active natural gas account.
- To have the check made payable to the landlord (who is not the account holder) or the installing contractor (i.e. a Contractor Circle installing member who provided the instant discount), please review all requirements for applications submitted by a landlord or contractor.
- To receive a rebate you must not have received/will not receive a rebate for the same equipment, product or service from more than one Illinois investor-owned utility or third-party energy efficiency program offering rebates or financing funded with ratepayer funds, with the exception of qualifying joint ComEd/Nicor Gas rebate offers.

### Contractor Circle installing member instant discount requirements

Rebates being paid directly to the installing contractor must meet the following requirements:

- Instant discounts may only be offered by current Contractor Circle installing members that meet all program requirements.
- Contractor must submit:
  - An instant discount rebate application
  - A Contractor Circle installing member signed rebate application
  - A copy of the customer-signed invoice showing the rebate amount deducted from the total purchase price and clearly labeled as a Nicor Gas or energySMART rebate. The customer's signature on the invoice verifies that the qualifying equipment/product was/were installed, the customer received an instant discount and allows the release of the rebate payment to the contractor.
- Contractor Circle installing members must verify customer, equipment/product and installation or service eligibility prior to providing an instant discount. The contractor assumes all liability by providing the rebate as an instant discount.
- A customer may be contacted by energySMART to verify any of the information provided on the rebate application or invoice prior to payment of a rebate to a contractor for an instant discount.
- Any dispute from a customer regarding receipt of a rebate as an instant discount will be investigated by Nicor Gas, and contractor payees are subject to payment adjustments in the event a customer has not received the full and correct rebate amount as an instant discount.
- Contractor Circle installing members are responsible for providing the full and correct rebate amount for qualifying equipment or products.
- The online instant discount application is limited to Contractor Circle installing members. Contractors should visit [nicorgasrebates.com/installer](http://nicorgasrebates.com/installer) for more information or to enroll.

### Landlord participant requirements

If you are applying for a rebate for a property you own, but the Nicor Gas account is in your tenant's name, your rebate application must show:

- Tenant's (customer's) Nicor Gas account number, name and address.
- The appropriate box checked for the rebate to be paid to the landlord, with full name or business name in the proper fields.

By signing the application, the landlord represents that the account holder has agreed to release payment of the rebate to the landlord.

### Program terms and conditions

- Funds are limited and applications are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis. Program is subject to change and may end without prior notice.
- Please allow approximately six to eight weeks for processing of any rebates.
- Incomplete applications cannot be processed. Failure to complete the rebate application in full and provide the required supporting documentation will either delay the payment process or result in your application being denied.
- Maintain a copy of your rebate application and all supporting documentation. The program is not responsible for items (i.e. rebate applications, supporting documentation and/or rebate checks) lost or damaged in the mail.
- Contractor Circle installing members are eligible to have the rebate signed over to them. Contractors receiving rebates are not eligible for any other incentives for the same services or products.
- If you do not own the property where the equipment or product is installed or the service provided, as a tenant, you are responsible for obtaining the property owner's permission to provide the service or to install the equipment/product for which you are applying for a rebate. Your submission of this application indicates that you have obtained permission.
- Rebate incentives may not exceed the total purchase price of the installed equipment, product or services. Only materials, equipment, product and external labor costs are eligible.
- All equipment or product installations are subject to verification by the program to ensure that the equipment/product installed or service completed meets the program requirements.
- Participants must allow, if requested, the program (or a program representative) reasonable access to their facility to verify that the equipment/product is installed and operating or that the service has been performed.
- Participants may be contacted by an evaluator to verify the equipment/product installation or services, or be asked to complete a customer survey. If contacted, your participation is required.
- Nicor Gas, its officers, employees, contractors and program administrators disclaim any and all liability, loss or damage and make no guarantees related to:
  - Participation in the program, including use or installation of the product(s)/ equipment or receipt of services
  - Loss or delay of rebate check in the mail
  - Any taxes that may be imposed as a result of participation in the program
- Payments made to contractors, commercial customers or landlords may be taxable under federal and state tax codes. If payments total more than \$600 per calendar year, they will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. Nicor Gas is not responsible for providing advice regarding any taxes that may be imposed as a result of participation in energySMART. Participants should consult a tax accountant or advisor regarding potential tax liability. Nicor Gas is not responsible for any taxes that may be imposed on your business as a result of these payments.