

2021 ASHP Heating and Cooling System Program Overview with Participation Requirements

Contractors:

- System must be installed by participating contractor.
 - System must be installed by a bonded and/or licensed contractor as applicable under state and local requirements.
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Qualifying ASHP Types, Applications and Rebates:

- *ASHP Ducted System* must be ENERGY STAR® qualified with a minimum SEER of 15.0, and HSPF of 8.5 for a rebate of \$400.
 - ASHP- Cold Climate Ducted system must meet NEEP performance requirements with a minimum SEER of 15, minimum HSPF of 9, and a minimum COP of 1.75 at 5°F for a rebate of \$1,000.
 - ASHP- Cold Climate Ductless system must meet NEEP performance requirements with a minimum SEER of 15, minimum HSPF of 10, and a minimum COP of 1.75 at 5°F with electricity as the primary existing heat source for a rebate of \$1,000. If the customer does not have electric primary heat apply for \$400 ASHP Ductless rebate.
 - *ASHP Ductless* should meet ENERGY STAR® requirements of 15 SEER and 8.5 HSPF for a rebate of \$400.
 - Proper install of Ducted *non-ENERGY STAR® ASHP* for a rebate of \$50
 - \$50 rebate on line and low voltage Smart thermostats that **control an electric heat source**. The thermostat must give the customer access to set points and schedules from anywhere using a smart device.
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Requirements to Qualify for the Rebate and Maintain Participating Contractor Status:

- Must be a customer a customer of Minnesota Power or a participating utility. Please visit www.mnpower.com/participatingutilities for an updated list.
- Refrigerant Charge and Airflow (RCA) data sheet is no longer required. However a Certified Technician must sign off on the following;
 - Certified technician has inspected the installation.
 - The installation meets proper refrigerant charging and indoor airflow specifications.
 - Sized properly according to manual J Calculations.
 - Ducts have been sealed to the extent practical.
 - Verify that the indoor and outdoor units are part of a matched system according to AHRI Certification Directory (www.ahridirectory.org) or other recognized service.

Certified Technician must have passed HVAC Certification by NATE, HVACeducation.com or similar certification.

- Provide product warranty information and offer maintenance agreement.
- The contractor must submit the required paperwork for the customer to qualify for the rebate. Before a rebate is issued to the customer, a third party contractor will review the paperwork for quality assurance, track the results, and prepare and submit the rebate check. **Note:** A product trained installer must be noted on the rebate form to verify proper installation.
- Must include a copy of the invoice with a completed rebate form.
- Rebates must be submitted within 30 days after project is completed.
- Minnesota Power rebates and required paperwork may not be withheld in the event of a customer/contractor dispute.
- Participating contractors will be required to explain operational and maintenance items specific to the customer's ASHP as part of the installation process. This includes reviewing and providing a manufacturer specific maintenance checklist and operating manuals. This will be noted on the ASHP rebate form.
- Every customer will be surveyed to determine their satisfaction with the ASHP (met their expectations) and the installation process. Any performance issues will be addressed immediately with the applicable contractor. Performance issues will be noted and may affect participating contractor status.
- Minnesota Power reserves the right to verify invoices and/or installations of equipment and services before issuing rebates. A random inspection may be required to verify installations and services.*

* Program subject to changes, please check www.mnpower.com/rebates for up-to-date information. Contractor specific information can be found at www.mnpower.com/HVACportal