

SMPA 2021 Renewable Energy Rebate TERMS AND CONDITIONS – *for your records*

Rebate Recipient Requirements

- Rebates are available only to applicants with an active account and membership with SMPA.
- Residential applicants are defined as residential homeowners and landlords that pay residential utility rates under the residential rate code.
- Commercial applicants are defined as consumers that pay commercial utility rates and taxes under the commercial rate code.

Contractor Requirements

- Contractors are required to apply for renewable energy rebates on behalf of residential and commercial applicants.
- Contractors must have a current NABCEP PV Installer certification and/or master electrician's license if installing solar PV systems. For solar thermal systems, the contractor must have either the PV Installer or Solar Heating Installer NABCEP certification.

On-Site System Equipment/ System Requirements

- Applicants must own the system and the installation must be located on the homeowner or business property. Systems leased from a third-party are ineligible for a rebate.
- Renewable system rebates are for new installations using new equipment only.
- System expansions or additional generation capacity will be eligible for a rebate up to a maximum of 3kW residential and 10kW commercial. Any on-site capacity that received a rebate in the past will count towards the maximum rebate amount of 3kW residential and 10kW commercial.
- For PV and wind rebates, inverters must be UL listed and approved, and the system must be grid-tied.
- Utility net-metering, interconnection and REC purchase agreements are required.
- Installation must be in compliance with all local and state ordinances. Proper permits are required, for example, building permits and electrical inspection permits.

Off-Site System Equipment/ System Requirements

- Off-site system rebates are for customers purchasing panels in the SMPA Community Solar Array.
- System expansions or additional generation capacity will be eligible for a rebate up to a maximum of 3kW residential and 10kW commercial. Any off-site capacity that received a rebate in the past will count towards the maximum rebate amount of 3kW residential and 10kW commercial.
- Interconnection and REC purchase agreements are required.

Solar PV

- The rebate amount will be determined by the nameplate capacity and may be adjusted to account for shading and orientation losses.
- Systems cannot exceed 100% of consumption history or 10 kW residential/25 kW commercial, whichever is less.

Solar Thermal

- The rebate amount may be adjusted to account for shading and orientation losses.
- Residential solar thermal rebates are for the domestic water portion of the system only where the backup heat source is electric.
- The collectors must be SRCC OG-100 rated and have a minimum system capacity of 20,000 BTUs per day.
- The storage tank must be at least 60 gallons and sized appropriately for the BTU output of the system.

Wind

- The turbine used must be certified by the Small Wind Certification Council.
- Rebates are calculated using the nameplate capacity at 11 meters/second at hub height.
- System cannot exceed 100% of consumption history or 10 kW residential / 25 commercial, whichever is less.

Program Rules

- Rebates are available for purchases made between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.
- Applications are limited to one rebate per product category per utility account per year.
- Rebate amount will not be more than 50% of the cost of the system.
- Applications must be complete and received within 180 days of the reservation date, or before December 31, 2021, whichever comes first.
- Rebate checks will be issued to the name on the utility account and will be issued only to complete, qualifying applications.
- Rebates are available first-come, first-served until funds are exhausted.
- Products purchased that are used, rebuilt, rented, leased, exchanged, won as a prize or purchased at auction or online auction are not eligible.
- SMPA is not responsible for lost, late, damaged, illegible, misdirected or postage-due applications.
- SMPA reserves the right to verify compliance with these terms, including but not limited to a physical site review.
- Qualifying applications must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations, requirements, ordinances, codes and statutes.
- All terms, conditions and rules of the program are subject to change without notice.