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*Time
for a new
clothes washer
or dishwasher?*

**SAVE
Water
Energy
Money**



**OREGON OFFICE
OF ENERGY**

City of Bend Public Works
1375 NE Forbes Ave.
Bend, OR 97701



Choose a resource-efficient model.

Clothes washers

Resource-efficient clothes washers save more water every year than you'll drink in your lifetime. They also use 60 percent less energy and 40 percent less detergent than other models. And their high-speed spin removes more water from clothes, cutting dryer time.



Consumer Reports gives resource-efficient machines high ratings in washing performance. They're also gentler on clothes than other washers because they have no agitator to twist them.

Dishwashers

Qualifying dishwashers use 20 percent to 25 percent less energy than standard models and save up to 1,000 gallons of water a year. And their high-performance water jets get dishes cleaner.

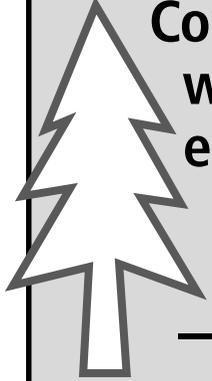
How to get a tax credit

- Nearly every appliance dealer in Oregon sells clothes washers and dishwashers that qualify for the tax credit.
- The model you buy must be on the Oregon Office of Energy's list of qualifying appliances at the time of purchase. (Not all Energy Star® models qualify.) You can get the list and an application form from your appliance dealer or our office:

www.energy.state.or.us
1-800-221-8035

- Fill out the form completely, sign it, attach your sales receipt, and send it to the Office of Energy. We'll send you a certification with the amount you can claim on your state income tax return.





Conserving water and energy is good for the environment — and your wallet

Saving water and energy saves money on your water, sewer and energy bills.

Conserving water also means more water is available for other uses, including fish, recreation and agriculture.

Conserving energy reduces air pollution and emissions of gases that contribute to global warming.

Oregon homeowners and renters can get a state tax credit for buying new appliances that save water and energy — and cut utility bills:

- Up to \$230 for clothes washers
- \$50 to \$70 for dishwashers

Important information about the tax credit

- ✓ The appliance must be installed in the home you live in or in your second (vacation) home. The home must be in Oregon.
- ✓ You must pay Oregon income taxes. The tax credit cannot exceed your tax liability.
- ✓ Look at the Office of Energy's list of qualifying appliances. You'll get the tax credit amount listed for the specific model you buy *or* 25 percent of the net purchase price, whichever is less.

Other incentives

Some manufacturers offer a rebate for resource-efficient models. Ask your appliance dealer for details.

Other ways to save on energy bills — and get a state tax credit



Seal your heating ducts or install a well-designed and sealed duct system in your new home. Get a tax credit up to \$250.

Heat your home or water with a solar or geothermal system. Or make electricity from the sun or wind. Get a tax credit up to \$1,500.



Buy a hybrid car that runs on electricity and gasoline and get a \$1,500 tax credit.



Get a tax credit up to \$250 for testing heat pumps and air-conditioning systems and servicing them for best performance. The contractor must be certified by the Office of Energy.

Use the waste heat from showers to cut energy use for water heating. A wastewater heat recovery system can earn you a tax credit of \$80 to \$120 — and eliminate cold showers.



Landlords and other business owners

can get a Business Energy Tax Credit for buying resource-efficient appliances — and making other investments in energy conservation, renewable energy resources and less-polluting transportation fuels. The tax credit is 35 percent of the additional cost compared to a standard model. Apply for the tax credit before you buy. You take the tax credit over five years.

For more information

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1-800-221-8035
Web site: www.energy.state.or.us

Call the City of Bend for a free home water conservation kit and *Irrigating for a Healthy Lawn* brochure:
388-5540

Visit Bend's Web site for upcoming events: www.ci.bend.or.us

