

CLEAN ↔ COMFORT

Advancing Beneficial Electrification and Heat Pump Technology

Heat Pump Rebate Program Requirements

About the Program:

The goal of WMLP's Clean Comfort program is to promote beneficial electrification and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, by encouraging residents to take advantage of the energy and cost-saving heating and cooling benefits of heat pumps.

Heat pumps are an HVAC technology that provides all-in-one heating and cooling and offers many advantages over traditional oil propane or electric resistance systems, including cost savings, improved efficiency, and reduced carbon emissions.

Up to \$10,000 in rebates and FREE unbiased, personal, expert advice are available to customers who install a central or mini-split heat pump in their home.

Incentive Guidelines:

- One rebate per household
- \$1,600 per ton*, up to \$10,000**

Eligible Equipment and Efficiency Requirements:

- Central Heat Pump..... **AHRI SEER \geq 16, HSPF \geq 9.5**
- Multi-Zone Mini-Split and Ducted Mini-Split..... **AHRI SEER \geq 16, HSPF \geq 9.5**
- Single-Zone Mini-Split Heat Pumps..... **AHRI SEER \geq 18, HSPF \geq 10**

Other Requirements:

- System must be connected by a licensed electrician
- A Town Wiring Inspection is required post-installation (A Town Electrical Permit is a prerequisite to the wiring inspection).

Process Steps:

- **Optional - FREE Consultation with Abode Energy Management** (heat pump specialist): WMLP customers and contractors looking to participate in this program can take advantage of free expert consultations with Abode. Abode can provide basic air source heat pump 101 education as well as sizing and design support to ensure the installed system achieves expected energy savings and comfort.



- **Pre-approvals and permits:**
 - Contractor must obtain a Town Electrical Permit.
 - Contractor must submit the [Installer Pre-Approval Form](#) (which includes uploading product specification sheet(s) and the AHRI certification) to Abode for approval before installation begins. Abode will review the proposed system and provide pre-approval or feedback within 3 business days. Pre-approval is required to qualify for WMLP's Heat Pump Rebate.

- **Post-Installation:**
 - The contractor must complete the Post-Install Quality Assurance Form (which includes uploading installation photos and a copy of the final paid invoice) for final review and approval by Abode.
 - The contractor must ensure that the Town Wiring Inspection is completed.
 - Upon approval, the Air Source Heat Pump Rebate Application is sent to the customer by Abode. The customer completes the application and submits it to Abode.

- **How to Apply:**
 - Submit completed rebate application to wmlp@abodeem.com.
 - Application Deadline: Application must be submitted within 15 days of final wiring inspection.
 - Payment Method: This rebate will be issued as a check to the WMLP customer.

Home Energy Audit:

A home energy audit is highly recommended for customers considering participating in this program. In addition to the many energy efficiency recommendations, a free home energy audit will help you determine other home energy improvements that can maximize the use of the air source heat pump technology.

**Actual tons are calculated based on AHRI cooling capacity divided by 12,000 BTUs. Rebate amount based on actual tons.*

***Clean Comfort is a program with limited availability of funds. Rebates will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact the WMLP by emailing us at cleancomfort@wellesley.ma.gov to find out the availability of program funds if you decide to participate.*