

COMMUNITY WOOD SMOKE REDUCTION PROGRAM 2024

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Community Wood Smoke Reduction Program Rebate

Prescreening Details and Guidelines

HOW TO APPLY

1. Plan your purchase, installation and inspection of the new appliance. This must take place between **January 1, 2024, and November 30, 2024**. Invoices need to be dated between those two dates.
2. Get a quote for price and timing for a new appliance and installation.
3. Take a photo of your old appliance to include in the pre-screening form.
4. **Submit the pre-screening form to TSS to apply to secure your rebate funding for six months:** <https://form-can.keela.co/cwsrp2024-rebate-pre-screening>
5. Receive pre-approval notice from TSS for rebate funding secured for six months from receipt of this notice.
6. Download and print our Rebate Brochure to collect signatures at: <https://transitionsaltspring.com/woodsmoke>
 1. Photo and Signature OR Pledge
 1. Decommission and Recycle your old appliance: provide photographic proof and signature of the recycler of the old wood appliance having been decommissioned and recycled. DO provide photos of appliance labels whenever possible.
 1. For bounty only, the removed existing and operational wood-burning appliance must be uncertified, or EPA/CSA certified but older than 2005.
 2. OR Sign Clean Burning Heat Pump Pledge if eligible to keep your existing wood appliance—link in Approval Form.
 1. For the option to keep an old stove following the installation of a heat pump, the existing wood stove must be EPA or CSA certified.
7. Purchase and install your new appliance. Get it WETT inspected if not installed by a WETT professional. You are responsible for all necessary Building Permits.
8. Take a photo of your new appliance in place.
9. Take the Burn it Smart wood smoke course OR watch the ALL About Wood Stoves video (*if upgrading to a new wood appliance)
 1. Applicants who purchase a new wood-burning appliance through this program are required to

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1. Complete a 60-minute online “Burn it Smart” wood smoke education https://www.fraserbasin.bc.ca/WoodSmokeCourse/story_html5.html
2. OR watch our All About Wood Stoves Video and answer some questions on our application form. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X8xmF2a9xrA&t=2724s>
10. Submit the final application and survey within six months of your pre-screening review, with the final submission date of November 30, 2024. Incomplete applications or applications received after the November 30, 2024 deadline will not be eligible for a rebate. Applications will be processed within eight weeks of receipt of completed applications. Final application link to be sent in pre-screening approval notice.

*NOTES

1. The program will not fund a new wood-burning insert or wood-burning fireplace to fit within an existing open-hearth fireplace that does NOT currently have an insert installed in it. An exchange of an existing wood appliance must take place.
2. Appliances that DO NOT qualify as replacements
 1. Freestanding electric stoves, fireplaces and heaters
 2. Factory-built fireplaces that do not have CSA or EPA certification
 3. Most wood cookstoves
 4. Masonry heaters
 5. Tin heaters/camp stoves/tent stoves/ portable stoves
3. Uncertified means an appliance without emissions certification from the CSA (B415) or the EPA (1990, 2015, or 2020 standards). Uncertified appliances may have safety certification from the CSA, ULC and/or other certification bodies.
4. EPA-certified means an appliance that is certified to meet the emissions levels of the 2020 EPA NSPS for Wood Heaters. A current list is found here: <https://cfpub.epa.gov/oarweb/woodstove/index.cfm?fuseaction=app.about>. More information on the NSPS is found here: <https://www.epa.gov/residential-wood-heaters/final-new-source-performance-standards-residential-wood-heaters>
5. CSA B415 certified means an appliance that meets the emission limits of the CSA B415-1 standard. There is no central repository or database of appliances that meet this standard. B415.1 should not be confused with other CSA standards for safety/installation/construction (The B415.1-10 (R2020) is posted here)

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6. An electric heat pump means a heat pump that meets the criteria for BC Hydro/ the Home Renovation Rebate and CleanBC Better Homes rebate. This includes professional installation by a licensed technician.
7. The value of the rebate must not exceed the value of the new heating appliance.
8. Only one Community Wood Smoke Reduction Program Rebate per residence per year.
9. You are responsible for obtaining any CRD building permits and WETT inspections that may be required for the safe installation of a new wood-burning appliance.

GUIDELINES

The Community Wood Smoke Reduction Program application needs to include the following documents to be complete (to be submitted via an emailed link after pre-screening is reviewed):

- Photos of your old heating appliance in setting before and your new heating appliance after installation.
- Photos of your disabled old heating appliance: remove the ash and brick liner; remove the doors and bludgeon the door hinges, and bludgeon the flue collar.
- Photo of the completed Signature Page on our Brochure to be used for collecting the various signatures required, including your own signature, Recycling Depot, and WETT Technician (WETT signature only needed if upgrading to a new wood appliance).
- Proof of Burn it Smart Education, mandatory is keeping or upgrading to a wood stove
- Proof of recycling of your old wood stove, a signed verification from the Recycling Agent, the Company Name, and the date of the recycling. (also found on the Signature Page of the Brochure).
- Invoice of NEW heating appliance - contains the same full name and installation address of the applicant.

If you have any questions about the program, email climatecoach@transitionsaltspring.com, go to www.transitionsaltspring.com/coach, or talk to a participating retailer.

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Please note these additional rebate sources for Heat Pumps:

Clean BC Better Homes

Up to \$6,000 in rebates depending on the heat source you are replacing.

Plus, there are additional renovation rebates for windows, doors, and insulation.

<https://betterhomesbc.ca/>

Clean BC Income Qualified Program: <https://www.betterhomesbc.ca/rebates/income-qualified/>

Greener Homes Canada

Up to \$5000 in rebates for eligible renovations

<https://www.nrcan.gc.ca/energy-efficiency/homes/canada-greener-homes-grant/start-your-energy-efficient-retrofits/plan-document-and-complete-your-home-retrofits/eligible-grants-for-my-home-retrofit/23504>

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