



THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN SOLAR WATER HEATER SUBSIDY SCHEME

The Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme provides rebates for environmentally friendly, gas-boosted solar water heaters used for residential purposes.

KEY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Rebates are available for new, complete, family sized, gas-boosted solar water heaters that are accredited to Australian Standard AS2712.
- Solar water heaters must be used for private residential purposes in WA (excepting display homes where special conditions apply).
- Solar water heaters must be purchased and installed within the 12 months prior to a complete rebate application being received by the Department of Finance - Public Utilities Office.
- All applications must be submitted to the Public Utilities Office by 1 June 2013. Applications submitted after this date will no longer be eligible for the subsidy – without exception.
- Solar water heaters must be purchased from suppliers recognised by the Public Utilities Office.
- All rebate applications must be accompanied with a sales receipt (tax invoice) which demonstrates system model and type of boosting.
- Refer to the *Scheme Guidelines* for full details of the eligibility criteria.

REBATE AMOUNT

- \$500 for natural gas-boosted solar water heaters
- \$700 for bottled LPG-boosted solar water heaters used in areas without reticulated gas.

PROCESS FOR APPLYING FOR THE REBATE

1. Read the *Scheme Guidelines*. It is a separate document to this application form. Ensure that your supplier provides you with a copy or download it from the Department of Finance website.
2. Contact suppliers of gas-boosted solar water heaters to determine the appropriate type and size of system required and an appropriate price. The Public Utilities Office recommends that you contact more than one supplier.
3. Complete this *Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme Application Form* in conjunction with the installer once the gas-boosted solar water heater has been installed and is operational.
4. Ensure that your completed application form and accompanying tax invoice are submitted to the Public Utilities Office (either directly by you or via your supplier) within 12 months of your system being installed and prior to 1 June 2013.
5. The Public Utilities Office will assess the application and approve it if it meets the requirements of the scheme, subject to available funding. The Public Utilities Office requires full details (entered into the correct form) to assess applications, and reserves the right to suspend processing of incomplete applications until all necessary details have been provided. Any applicant so affected will be advised of the necessary details required to complete an application.
6. Payment of the rebate will usually occur within eight weeks of the rebate application being approved. The rebate will be paid to you by cheque if you applied for the rebate directly or paid to your supplier and either credited to you as an upfront discount on the cost of your system or paid to you by your supplier after the application has been approved.
7. The Public Utilities Office reserves the right to alter the Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme at any given time, subject to sufficient notice. This can include changes to the rebate level and other eligibility criteria pertaining to the scheme.

For further details about the Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme contact:

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Public Utilities Office
WA Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme
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Cloisters Square WA 6850

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SOLAR WATER HEATER SUBSIDY SCHEME APPLICATION

Installation details

Address of installation _____

Solar system manufacturer _____

Solar system model number (including capacity in litres) _____

Gas booster serial number _____

Type of boosting: Natural Gas
 Bottled LPG

Application: New home If new home, copy of invoice (including system model # and type of boosting) attached? Yes No

Replacement existing home If replacement, copy of invoice (including system model # and type of boosting) attached? Yes No

Display home If display home, evidence supplied? Yes No

Installation declaration

I verify that: a) the above information, or that provided in an attached installation report, is accurate
 b) the system is new, complete and satisfactorily commissioned.

Installer signature _____ Installation date _____

Installer name _____

(Note: If a builder or supplier signs on behalf of the installer they assume all responsibility for the installation requirements of the scheme)

Applicant details

Title _____ First name _____ Middle name _____ Surname _____

Postal address _____ Postcode _____

Daytime telephone number _____

Rebate is to be paid to: **Supplier** **Applicant**

Applicant Declaration

In applying for funding under the Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme and in signing this application form I understand that:

- I agree to meet all requirements of the Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme and agree that this application is subject to the scheme guidelines.
- I confirm that my details and, to the best of my knowledge, those completed by the installer are accurate.
- I confirm that this is the first time that I have claimed a Solar Water Heater Subsidy Scheme rebate for the above premises.
- I agree that an inspection of the solar water heater at the installation address may be conducted by officers from the Public Utilities Office to verify the information in this application.
- I acknowledge and agree that neither the State Government, the Public Utilities Office, nor any of their officers or employees accept any liability of any loss, damage, cost, expense, claim, demand or cause of action whatsoever arising out of, or in relation to, the manufacture, installation or use of any solar water heater that is subject to a rebate.
- I acknowledge and agree that if any of the information contained in this application is found to be false or misleading I may be required to refund the rebate and may incur criminal sanctions for fraud.

Signature _____ Date _____

| PUBLIC UTILITIES OFFICE USE ONLY | | APPLICATION NUMBER: | INVOICE: |
|--|-------------|--|--|
| Date application received: | | Gas-boosted model (inc. serial number & capacity)? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Assessed by: _____ | Date: _____ | Installed in gas reticulated area? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Checked by: _____ | Date: _____ | Certified by applicant and installer? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Rebate amount: <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 <input type="checkbox"/> \$700 | | Application approved? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Comments/Letter: | | | |