



Benefits of an ENERGY STAR qualified home:

- Costs less/Saves money
- More comfortable
- Healthier
- Quieter

Every ENERGY STAR house is:

- Performance Tested
- Third Party Verified
- Licensed by Natural Resources Canada and administered by Energy Quality

An ENERGY STAR qualified home:

- Is on average 28% more efficient than a house built to the Ontario Building Code
- Saves approximately 2-3 tonnes of greenhouse gasses per year. Since each tree absorbs around 1 tonne of greenhouse gas, owning an ENERGY STAR home is like planting 2-3 trees.
- Saves up to 12,000 kWhr of electricity each year

The House is labeled as a system and consists of two main components:

- Your home's boundary: warmer and drier basements, better walls and windows
- The mechanical heating and plumbing systems: high efficiency furnace, tankless hot water tanks, appliances etc.

Features of this ENERGY STAR qualified home include:

- Insulation in walls and basements that exceeds the building code
- ENERGY STAR qualified – Low E Argon windows
- Full height basement insulation
- Air tight with adequate ventilation
- Sealed ductwork

Extra features we included in your ENERGY STAR home:

- Heat Recovery Ventilator (HRV) – Takes old stale air from inside your home and brings in fresh air from outside to inside – and transfers heat to the new air so you aren't wasting energy heating up the new air.
- Housewrap for Headers – waterproof, windproof and it breathes - an integral part of your homes air barrier and helps surround your home with advanced comfort protection
- Expansion foam insulation – sprayed around windows, above garages and other common problem air leakage areas
- Power use monitoring – the portable power monitor will allow you to see at any time exactly how much energy you are using and how much you have saved

Energy efficiencies pay for themselves:

- At the very least the houses not only pay for themselves from the day you move in but the money you save every month can pay for the granite counter top or hardwood floors you dream of

The savings associated with Energy Star qualified homes – an example:

- 28% Energy Savings *\$75/month
- Savings \$40/month *based on \$225 monthly energy costs

Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation Insurance discounts:

- 10% rebate on mortgage insurance premium to eligible buyers with Energy Star qualified homes

Other:

- There are about 46 products beyond your home that qualify for ENERGY STAR qualification. These include appliances, computers, televisions, ceiling fans, and office equipment to name a few.



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