

POWER SMART ENERGY CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

APPLICATION FORM (FOR BC HYDRO ACCOUNT HOLDER)

COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

To apply for the Power Smart Energy Conservation Assistance Program, please complete and include the following before mailing the application:

- Complete the application in full
- Attach a copy of the most recent tax return forms (Notice of Assessment) for each member of the household 18 years of age or over
- Sign Section 3 (each household member over 18 years of age must sign this section)
- Attach the Landlord Consent form (if you rent)
- Sign the declaration at the bottom of the page

1. ACCOUNT HOLDER INFORMATION

First Name _____ Last Name _____
Account Address _____ Apt. No. _____
City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____
Primary Contact Number _____ Secondary Contact Number _____
BC Hydro Account Number _____ Preferred Time of Contact _____ am/pm to _____ am/pm
Where did you hear about this program? BC Hydro website Friends/family members Non-profit organizations Community events Print ad
 Radio By mail Others: _____

2. PROPERTY INFORMATION

How many people live in your home? _____
How is your hot water heated (optional)? Gas Electric Other (specify) _____ How is your home heated? (optional) Gas Electric Other (specify) _____
What type of home do you live in?
 Single-family (detached house) Duplex Townhouse Apartment/Condominium Mobile Home
 Other _____
Do you own or rent your home? Own Rent
(If you selected **rent**, complete and attach the **Landlord Consent Form** and complete the Landlord contact information below).
Home Owner or Representative name _____
Contact Number _____

3. INCOME QUALIFICATION INFORMATION

Attach the most recent copy of tax return forms (Notice of Assessment) for each member of the household 18 years of age or over. **Each household member over 18 years of age MUST sign this section.**

BC Hydro requires proof of income for every household member 18 years of age or older in order to qualify the household for the program¹. BC Hydro will only accept the Canada Revenue Agency Notice of Assessments as proof of income.

First Name	Last Name	Signature	Date (DD/MM/YY)
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

MUST COMPLETE

By signing below, I certify that I understand and agree to all of the preceding declarations and all terms and conditions of this application. I certify that all the information contained in this application is true and complete in every respect and that any willful misstatements may cause the rejection of my application.

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____
(BC Hydro Account Holder)

4. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Residential property refers to the home occupied by a low-income owner or tenant at the address listed on this application form.
2. This application form must be completed by the BC Hydro account holder who occupies the residential property on a permanent year round basis.
3. The Applicant must at all times:
 - a. Be of a legal age of at least 18 years old as of the time of submission of this application
 - b. Be the current lawful occupant of the residential property and occupy the property as a principle residence on a year-round basis
 - c. Be an active BC Hydro residential electricity account holder for the residential property referred to in this application
 - d. Qualify as "low income" in that the applicant's combined gross household income must be less than the income limits published by Statistic Canada's Low Income Cut-Off table shown below
4. BC Hydro reserves the right to, at any time, verify the accuracy and completeness of any and all information provided by the applicant, and the Applicant must cooperate with this verification process. The Applicant must notify BC Hydro in writing if any information provided as part of this application changes at any time after the submission of this application.
5. The residential property must be:
 - a. A fully serviced existing building suitable for human habitation that is occupied on a permanent year round basis (attached garages, outbuildings, buildings under construction, and unoccupied buildings are not eligible)
 - b. Deemed to be in suitable condition for the work
6. BC Hydro may without penalty or obligation, at its sole discretion, at any time, modify any terms or conditions or any of its requirements for program eligibility, and modify or terminate this program.
7. BC Hydro has the right to prioritize applications for program support within available funding based on any criteria deemed appropriate.
8. The availability, timing, and amount of program support are subject to available program funding.
9. BC Hydro is not obligated to provide program support to any applicants including those who meet all program eligibility criteria. It is within BC Hydro's sole discretion to accept or reject any applicant who meets all program eligibility criteria.
10. BC Hydro will decide in its sole discretion which upgrades an approved applicant will receive.
11. BC Hydro may provide participants with information on other home retrofit assistance programs available to them through organizations outside of BC Hydro.

Household Size (Economic Family)	HOUSEHOLD INCOME THRESHOLDS				
	Rural Areas	Urban Areas less than 30,000	Urban Areas 30,000 to 99,999	Urban Areas 100,000 to 499,999	Urban Areas 500,000 and over
1 person	15,302	17,409	19,026	19,144	22,229
2 persons	19,050	21,672	23,685	23,832	27,674
3 persons	23,419	26,643	29,118	29,299	34,022
4 persons	28,435	32,349	35,354	35,573	41,307
5 persons	32,250	36,690	40,097	40,345	46,850
6 persons	36,374	41,380	45,223	45,504	52,838
7 or more persons	40,496	46,071	50,350	50,661	58,827

*2009 LICO Scale (before tax household income). Source: Statistics Canada

5. APPLICANT DECLARATION AND CONSENT

Renter and Owner:

- I have read this entire application carefully and accept all of its terms and conditions.
- If this application is approved, I grant permission for BC Hydro's program contractors to conduct a free energy efficiency evaluation of my home and to install free basic energy efficient products including but not limited to: Compact Fluorescent Lighting, draftproofing measures (outlet gaskets, weatherstripping, and caulking), low flow shower heads, faucet aerators, hot water tank wrap, pipe wrap, and night lights).
- I acknowledge and agree that BC Hydro is not the designer, manufacturer or installer of the products installed under this program and that BC Hydro makes no representation or warranty of any kind concerning such products or their installation. I further irrevocably waive any and all actions, causes of action, claims, suits and demands (whether based in contract, tort, equity or otherwise) that I have or may in the future have against, and irrevocably release from liability and agree not to sue, BC Hydro or any of its affiliates or any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, contractors or representatives for any type of loss or damage that I may suffer including, without limitation, property loss or damage, financial loss or damage, or personal injury that arise or accrue from, as a result of, in relation to, or in connection with my involvement in the program.
- I understand that any work to be done in my home is subject to the availability of funds, program goals, and the eligibility of the household under the program guidelines.
- I confirm that I am the owner of the above household or, if not, that I have the owner's permission to proceed with this application.
- I have attached the most recent copy of Notice of Assessment for each member of the household 18 years of age and over and permit BC Hydro to use this information to determine the total household income at the above residential property.

Renter Only:

- If I rent my home, I understand that work cannot be completed in my home without the permission of my landlord and that it is my task to have my landlord complete the Landlord Consent Form and attach the completed form to my application.
- If I rent my home, I understand that if the program replaces a refrigerator owned by the landlord that the new unit will also be owned by the landlord.
- If I rent my home, I understand that any improvements completed under this program cannot form the basis for an increase in rent above the provincial guidelines as it is not an expenditure that my landlord will have incurred.

Consent to Use Information:

- I understand that the information provided by me in this application and under this program will be retained and disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
- I consent to BC Hydro and its program contractors to carry out any necessary inquiry and to collect and use any information provided by me in this form and under this program for the purposes of administering, carrying out and evaluating the program including, without limitation, determining my eligibility to receive funding under this program, conducting an evaluation of my home, recommending and installing energy efficient measures in my home and conducting a quality assurance evaluation.
- I also consent to BC Hydro's internal use of any information provided by me in this application and under this program and my BC Hydro account information, including electrical consumption at the above household for a period of 60 months before program participation and 60 months after program participation, for purposes of: (i) administering and verifying the effectiveness of the program, and (ii) expanding existing programs and designing new programs to better serve the needs of residential customers.
- I consent BC Hydro to contact me (by phone, email, direct mail or similar method) for the purposes of program administration, implementation and evaluation and/or to provide me with further information on this or other similar conservation-related programs.

The information described above is collected, used and disclosed in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and under the authority of the Hydro and Power Authority Act, for the purpose of administering the Low Income Households Program. If you have any concerns with respect to the collection of this information, please contact Power Smart Operations at 1 877 209 2999.