

Tampa Electric Residential Solar Water Heater (“SWH”) Rebate Program

1. Participation is limited to residential customers and the system must be used for domestic water heating. Pool heaters do not qualify. Structures located in Tampa Electric's service area are eligible. Applicant must be owner of premise.
2. Participant must have a south, east or west facing roof area that is not shaded between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM annually. The same non-shaded restriction applies to a ground-mounted system. A shading analysis will be required by the contractor using either a Solar Pathfinder or Solmetric SunEye to verify these conditions. Site selection is subject to Tampa Electric's approval.
3. A rebate of \$1,000 per system will be paid to the owner of premise until annual funding is depleted.
4. Rebates will be limited to one per premise.
5. A Tampa Electric energy audit is required prior to system installation to qualify for the rebate. If system construction or installation occurs prior to the required audit, Tampa Electric has no obligation to make a rebate payment to the applicant.
6. The reservation process for available annual funds will be managed on a first come first serve basis.
7. Reservations for available annual funds will begin October 1st of the previous year and close September 30th of the current funding year. Once all available annual funds have been assigned, no additional reservations will be accepted for that year unless other funds become available for use by this program.

Tampa Electric's reservation process for the Residential SWH Program will utilize a web-based process, which will be managed on a first come, first served basis. Specifically, customers will access a reservation form on the company's web site. The web site will allow customer reservations until the maximum number has been reached. When the maximum number of reservations has been reached, the system will begin collecting a list of "interested parties" with their contact information.

Once a customer has obtained a reservation, Tampa Electric will contact the customer to schedule a free home energy audit. The audit will verify the availability of qualifying roof space. After this verification, the customer will have 90 days to install the SWH system and submit the required documentation to Tampa Electric.

In the event customers with reservations do not qualify, decide not to move forward with the installation, or do not provide proof of installation within the required time period, the reservation process will be evaluated and reopened quarterly. All “interested parties” that provided contact information will then be notified and afforded the opportunity to secure a reservation. The reservations will again be first come, first served for the remaining funds.

In the event that a customer does not have access to the internet, the customer will have the option to call Tampa Electric’s designated solar incentive line and a representative will provide assistance for completing the reservation form and providing a hard copy confirmation to the customer.

8. All SWH system components must be new. Retrofits, upgrades and systems relocated from another premise do not qualify for a rebate.
9. System components and installation must meet local, state and federal regulations and building codes.
10. A licensed plumber or solar contractor must install the system.
11. A copy of the local code enforcement inspection report must be provided to Tampa Electric prior to disbursement of a rebate.
12. The system must be certified by Florida Solar Energy Center (“FSEC”). A copy of the FSEC System Certification sheet or certification number must be submitted with rebate application.
13. A copy of the system invoice or purchase agreement with licensed contractor must be submitted with rebate application.
14. New construction installations will be limited to no more than 20 percent of systems receiving rebates.
15. System must be installed and all required documentation must be submitted to Tampa Electric within 90 days of the energy audit. Failure to submit the completed SWH rebate form and required documents within 90 days shall void the reservation and funding for this reservation will be reassigned. If there is additional funding available, the applicant may reapply for the rebate.
16. Tampa Electric will randomly perform field verifications on a minimum of 10 percent of installations. The company will utilize an office verification process to validate the information for the remaining installations. Additionally, Tampa Electric will utilize data from FSEC for demand and energy savings. The company will collect SWH system costs and the number of people living in the residence.

17. Any unused funds for this program will be transferred to other components of the company's renewable initiative.
18. The reporting requirements for this program are pursuant to Rule 25-17.0021(5), F.A.C. Additionally, program expenses will be identified in the ECCR True-Up and Projection Filings.