

## What is the ENERGY STAR® Logo?

The ENERGY STAR® logo helps consumers recognize energy-efficient products that help save money on utility bills without compromising performance or convenience. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) created the ENERGY STAR logo as the symbol for energy efficiency because of the direct link between energy consumption and air pollution problems such as acid rain, smog, and global climate change. Manufacturers voluntarily use the logo on a wide variety of products including qualifying air conditioners, heat pumps, boilers, furnaces, and programmable thermostats.



## Benefits of High-Efficiency Heating and Cooling Equipment

Heating and cooling systems typically last 12 to 20 years, so the choice you make about your heating and cooling system today will affect your utility bills, home comfort, indoor air quality, and the environment for years to come. Choosing high-efficiency, ENERGY STAR-labeled heating and cooling equipment can save you 10–40 percent on heating and cooling bills, while reducing pollution associated with energy use. But, the equipment you choose is just one part of the equation. Savings and satisfaction will depend on whether your contractor correctly sizes and installs the equipment and ensures that it is working as part of an integrated heating and cooling system.

For more information about ENERGY STAR-labeled residential heating and cooling equipment, please contact:

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and Cooling Program  
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Washington, DC 20460

Or call the ENERGY STAR Hotline toll-free  
at 1-888-STAR-YES (1-888-782-7937).  
On the Internet, our address is  
[www.epa.gov/homecooling](http://www.epa.gov/homecooling) or  
[www.epa.gov/homeheating](http://www.epa.gov/homeheating).



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# Consumer Tips

## for Choosing a Heating and Cooling Contractor



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