

# Residential Energy Code Worksheet

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## KITSAP COUNTY

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The Residential Energy Code Worksheet is a tool to help you plan your energy code needs for new or remodeled homes to ensure compliance with code requirements. More resources and a copy of the energy code, optional worksheets and glazing forms can be found [here](#).

This document will cover the following features:

- **Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC):** Requirements for efficiency of heating and cooling equipment for your house.
- **Building Envelope:** Requirements and options for roofs, walls, windows - these control heat loss and leakage.
- **Water Heating:** Equipment efficiency and controls

**NOTE: All of the details of your energy efficiency plan selected in this document must be clearly shown on your construction plans in order for application to be approved.**

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Is this an addition to an existing structure?

No

## Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning Requirements

All options for whole house ventilation shall provide outdoor air at a continuous rate of not less than the Airflow Rate shown below. This is automatically calculated in accordance with [Tables M1507.3.3\(1\) & 1507.3.3\(2\)](#) based on square footage of structure and number of bedrooms.

**Select Proposed Heating System, be sure to show on plans.**

Forced Air System with Heat Pump: The same as forced air, but absorbs heat from an outdoor source, heats it, and releases it as warmer air.

### Select Prescriptive Whole House Ventilation

Integrated with Forced Air System (Ducted Furnace Option)

### Select Square Footage of Structure

<1,500

### Number of Bedrooms

0-1

**Required Airflow CFM (Label on Plans):**

30

**Exception:** The whole house mechanical ventilation system is permitted to operate intermittently where the system has control that enables operation for not less than 25% of each 4 hour segment. The ventilation rate below is multiplied by the run time factor in accordance with Table 1507.3.3(2) to determine required fan size.

**Table M1507.4**

**Please note:**

Exhaust fans are required in any room where water vapor, or cooking odor is produced, i.e. kitchen, bathroom, powder room, laundry room, indoor swimming pool, spa, etc. See Table M1507.4 for the minimum exhaust fan sizes. Minimum source specific ventilation - your proposed system shall not be less.

CFM=Cubic Feet per min.	Laundry rooms or Bathrooms	Kitchens
Intermittently Operating	50 cfm	100 cfm
Continuous Operation	20 cfm	25 cfm

## Required Energy Credits

**Conditioned Floor Area**  
<1,500 Square Feet

**Minimum Required Energy Credits**  
1.5

**Total Energy Credits Selected Below**  
1.5

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## Select Options to Meet Minimum Required Energy Credits

There are five categories below, select credits to meet the calculated minimum required energy credits. **As the number of credits increase, your home becomes more energy efficient! You may elect to exceed the required number of credits.**

**All selected options must be shown on the construction plans.**

**Key Terms:**

**R-Value** = Thermal Resistance, time rate of heat flow through a body.

**U-Factor** = Thermal Transmittance, heat transmission (air to air) through a building component, equal to the time rate of heat flow per unit area and unit temperature.

**Fenestration** = Fenestration windows and other products with glass and non-glass glazing materials.

**Glazing** = Glass part of windows

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## Water Heating Options

1. Use the dropdown to review credits available and read description to see if you qualify.
2. **Click Select Credit -Yes** next to the option you would like to add credits to your total credits selected. A list of your selected credits selected will automatically populate a summary on the next page.

### To See Details and Select Credit Choose from Options Below

Efficient Water Heating 5b -- Gas, propane, oil, heat pump

Select Credit? Credits

Yes

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### EFFICIENT WATER HEATING 5b:

Verify you can meet all requirements below and then click Select Credit - Yes to update total Energy Credits Selected.

#### Select one of the following qualified water heating systems:

Gas, propane or oil water heater with a minimum EF of 0.74

#### To qualify to claim this credit, the building permit drawings shall:

- Show water heating system in the applicable location
- Label water heater equipment type
- Label with the minimum equipment efficiency #, (example EF 0.74)

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## HVAC Equipment Options

1. Use the dropdown to review credits available and read description to see if you qualify.
2. **Click Select Credit -Yes** next to the option you would like to add credits to your total credits selected. A list of your selected credits selected will automatically populate a summary on the next page.

**\*Projects may only include credit from one space heating option, 3a, 3b, 3c or 3d. When a housing unit has two pieces of equipment (i.e., two furnaces) both must meet the standard to receive the**

credit.

To See Details and Select Credit Choose from Options Below

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## Whole House Air Leakage Control and Efficiency

These credits set a standard for a structure's air tightness using a [Blower Door Test](#). This reduces energy consumption due to air leaks. If a credit from this section is selected, Blower Door Test results are required to be on site for final inspection. Each credit contains requirements for the maximum air leakage and whole house ventilation requirements.

1. Use the dropdown to review credits available and read description to see if you qualify.
2. **Click Select Credit -Yes** next to the option you would like to add credits to your total credits selected. A list of your selected credits selected will automatically populate a summary on the next page.

To See Details and Select Credit Choose from Options Below  
Air Leakage Control and Efficiency 2a

Select This Option	Credits	AIR LEAKAGE CONTROL AND EFFICIENCY VENTILATION 2a:
Yes	.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Compliance is based on Table R402.4.1.2; Reduce the tested air leakage to 3.0 air changes per hour maximum</li></ul> <p><b>AND</b> All whole house ventilation requirements as determined by IRC Section M1507.3 shall be met with a high efficiency fan ( max 0.35 watts/cfm), not interlocked with the furnace fan ventilation systems using a furnace including an ECM motor are allowed, provided that they are controlled to operate at low speed in ventilation only mode.</p> <p><b>To qualify to claim this credit:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fan Specifics (If Fan is not labeled)</li><li>• Documentation of Blower Door test results from qualified third party must be on site at Final Inspection <a href="#">WSU Air Leakage</a></li></ul>

## Building Envelope (Windows, Walls, and Floors etc.)

These credits relate to whole house energy efficiency. Each credit contains requirements for [insulation \(R-Values\)](#) and [energy efficient windows \(U-Factor\)](#).

**R-value:** An insulating material's resistance to conductive heat flow is rated using an R-value -- *the higher the R-value, the more effective the insulation.*

**U-factor:** Indicates how much energy will be lost from a building through its windows -- *the lower the U-value, the more efficient.*

1. Use the dropdown to review credits available and read description to see if you can qualify.
2. **Click Select Credit -Yes** next to the option you would like to add credits to your total credits selected. A list of your selected credits selected will automatically populate a summary on the next page.

**\*All options in this category require that you :**

- Label R-Values and U-Factors on building permit drawing in the applicable location
- Submit completed [Glazing Schedule Form](#) or add to construction plans for review with this worksheet.

To See Details and Select Credit Choose from Options Below

**\*Would you like to see table displaying prescriptive requirements to meet Washington State Energy Code for building envelope?**

No

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**Would you like to see Renewable Energy credits for on-site wind or solar?**

No

# Summary of Total Energy Credits

**Minimum must match selected**

**Minimum Required Energy Credits**  
1.5

**Total Energy Credits Selected**  
1.5

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## Energy Credit Options Selected

**AIR LEAKAGE CONTROL AND  
EFFICIENCY VENTILATION 2a**

**EFFICIENT WATER HEATING 5b**

**Qualified Water Heating Option Selected:**

Gas, propane or oil water heater with a minimum EF  
of 0.74

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**Clicking this button does not submit your completed worksheet for review!**