



Home Energy Score

Mandated Energy Inspection for the city of Portland single family homes

What is a Home Energy Score?

A Home Energy Score is a 1-10 rating that provides information on the home's energy use, associated costs, and provides energy solutions to cost-effectively improve the home's efficiency.

Why is it important?

The Home Energy Score allows buyers to have insight into the full costs of owning a home. The Home Energy Score leads to better energy performance, lowers costs and provides greater comfort as well as more efficient use of natural resources in homes.

How does this play a part in Portland's Climate Action Plan?

Portland's Climate Action Plan seeks to reduce carbon emissions 40% below 1990 levels by 2030 and 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. Buildings are the largest source of carbon emissions in Portland. One objective is to reduce the total energy use of existing buildings and to achieve zero net carbon emissions in all new buildings.

Getting a Home Energy Score:

Home Energy Scores are produced by trained and authorized home energy assessors. The City of Portland recommend contacting 2-3 different assessors to find a scheduling option that works for your timeline.

How does the energy score process work?

Prior to publicly listing, the seller/representative needs to 1) Obtain a Home Energy Report from an authorized Home Energy Score program assessor, 2) Provide a copy of the report to all agents and buyers, and 3) Include the report on the RMLS listing and any other online listing service.

Where does this apply?

The policy only applies to home sellers that are listing or advertising a home for sale publicly in any manner starting on or after January 1, 2018 and within Portland's jurisdictional city boundary.

To confirm that your client's house is within Portland city limits, enter the address at [Portlandmaps](#) and look for "Portland" next to "Jurisdiction".

Who can perform a Home Energy assessment?

Assessors must be licensed by the Oregon Construction Contractors Board and authorized as a qualified Home Energy Assessor in the City of Portland's Home Energy Score program. Please find the attached documents with the complete list from the City of Portland, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability.

Client Signature

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