



Commercial food service 2022 Commercial rebate application

Rebates are available for qualifying equipment, services and products purchased and installed between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022.

Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebates are available to Nicor Gas commercial customers, including public, private and multi-family (three units or more) properties.

Get ready:

Review the eligibility requirements and terms and conditions to verify that you are eligible for a rebate. Collect all required information to complete your application.

Get started:

All applications must be postmarked within 90 days of installation or by January 31, 2023, whichever comes first. Complete, sign and mail the application and invoice and other supporting documents to:

Nicor Gas
Attn: Energy Efficiency 22-59063
P.O. Box 540071
El Paso, TX 88554-0071

Get your rebate:

You will receive the rebate in approximately six to eight weeks when a completed application and required documents are received for a rebate qualifying product.

To check the status of your rebate, visit nicorgas.com/status.
Need help?
Call us at **877.886.4239**
(Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or email
EEinfo@nicorgas.com

Account holder information

Nicor Gas account number

Please provide the first 10 digits of your account number. Include any leading zeros but do not include dashes.

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Business/account holder name (as it appears on account)

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Business/account holder address (as it appears on account)

City

State

ZIP code

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Installation site information

Site contact first name

Site contact last name

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Phone number

Email address

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Installation address (if different from account address)

City

State

ZIP code

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Please check below to identify if this is a private or public (taxpayer-funded) facility.

Private: This business is independently owned and operated, and has fewer than 10 locations.

Public: Please select the public sector class.

Local government State

Yes No

Federal

Installing contractor information

Contractor business name (as it appears on invoice or receipt)

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Contact first name

Contact last name

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Address

City

State

ZIP code

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Phone number

Email address (if available)

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Does my building qualify as multi-family?

Multi-family properties must consist of three units or more, have permanent or semi-permanent tenants and be an apartment/condominium, assisted living facility or retirement home.

Contractor Circle members offering the rebate as an instant discount should sign the applicant section and submit the customer signature on the invoice or checklist, showing they received the rebate as an instant discount.

* Please see page four for additional information on these building types.

► Rebate check

Make check payable to (select one)

Account holder

Account holder or business/property name

Landlord

(required if landlord is selected)

Attention to

Mailing address (if different than installation address)

City

State

ZIP code

Contractor Circle installing member ID number

► Building type (please select only one building type)

Select the building type that best describes the location where the equipment was installed or services were performed

Multi-family

High-rise (5 stories or more)

Mid-rise (up to 4 stories)

Assisted living

Airport

Assembly (theater, hall, arena)

Auto dealership

Convenience

Correctional facility

Drug store

Emergency services

Garage

Grocery

Healthcare clinic

Hospital (CAV, no economizer)*

Hospital (CAV, economizer)*

Hospital (VAV, economizer)*

Hospital (FCU)*

Hotel/motel (guest room only)

Hotel/motel (common area only)

Hotel/motel (common area/guest room)

Manufacturing facility

Movie theater

Office - high-rise (10+ floors, CAV, no economizer)*

Office - high-rise (10+ floors, CAV, economizer)*

Office - high-rise (10+ floors, VAV, economizer)*

Office - high-rise (10+ floors, FCU)*

Office - mid-rise (5-9 floors)

Office - low-rise (up to 4 floors)

Public municipal library

Religious facility

Restaurant

Retail - department store

Retail - strip mall

School - college/university

School - elementary school

School - high school/junior high

Warehouse

► Applicant information and signature

With my signature below, I hereby certify that:

1. The energy-efficient product, equipment or service was paid for as reflected on the invoice, is installed and is operational.
2. The information provided in the application and supporting documents is accurate and complete.
3. All rules of this rebate program have been followed. Equipment/service has met all

product eligibility requirements and the terms and conditions within this document.

4. I have read and understand the terms and conditions included within this document.
5. I understand that rebates are based upon eligibility and verification of information provided in this application and supporting documents, and is subject to funding availability.

Applicant name (print)

Title

Phone number

Email address

Applicant signature

Date



Product information

Provide the following information for the equipment installed (as listed on invoice). Verify your invoice/receipt is legible and includes all the information listed on page four. If any information is illegible or missing, contact your contractor to get the correct information before submitting your application. Incorrect or missing information will delay processing your rebate. **If you are applying for more than one type of product or equipment rebate, complete and submit additional copies of applicable pages as necessary.**

► Ovens

Check one:	Rebate
<input type="checkbox"/> Conveyor oven width < 25 inches	\$500 per deck
<input type="checkbox"/> Conveyor oven width ≥ 25 inches	\$1,000 per deck
<input type="checkbox"/> ENERGY STAR® combination oven	\$900 per deck
<input type="checkbox"/> ENERGY STAR convection oven	\$400 per oven
<input type="checkbox"/> Rotisserie oven	\$500 per oven
<input type="checkbox"/> Double rack oven	\$700 per oven

Install date	
<input type="text"/>	
Total installed cost* (per oven)	Manufacturer
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Model	Quantity (of ovens)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Eligibility requirements

Conveyor ovens

- Cooking efficiency ≥ 42% using ASTM standard F1817. Must have an idle energy consumption rate ≤ 57,000 Btu/h.
- Number of decks is determined by the manufacturer and model number.
- Rebates are paid per deck, based on conveyor width.
- Rebates for multi-deck ovens are paid per qualifying deck.

ENERGY STAR certified combination ovens

- ENERGY STAR certified natural gas combination oven with steam oven cooking efficiency ≥ 41% and convection mode cooking efficiency ≥ 56%.

ENERGY STAR certified convection ovens

- ENERGY STAR certified with a cooking efficiency ≥ 46% using ASTM standard 1496.
- Must have an idle energy consumption rate ≤ 12,000 Btu/h.

Rotisserie ovens

- Efficient natural gas fired high-efficiency rotisserie ovens utilizing infrared burners or design approaches that combine radiative heat exchangers and convection heating are eligible.

Double rack oven

- Baking energy efficiency ≥ 50% using ASTM standard 2093.
- Rebate paid per oven.

► Broilers

Check one:	Rebate
<input type="checkbox"/> Infrared charbroiler	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Infrared salamander broiler	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Infrared upright broiler	\$500

* **Total installed cost:** The total purchase price of an individual piece of equipment, including the cost of the equipment, materials and external labor. **Total installed cost** must be itemized by each equipment/product installed and entered above. The itemized contractor invoice must include the **total installed cost**, itemized by each qualifying equipment/product on the invoice. If self-installed, only the cost of the equipment may be used.

Install date	
<input type="text"/>	
Total installed cost* (per broiler)	Manufacturer
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Model	Quantity (of broilers)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Eligibility requirements

- Must use infrared burners.



► Other kitchen equipment

Check one: Rebate

- Bottom-finned stock pot **\$25**
- ENERGY STAR® certified commercial steamer **\$950**
- ENERGY STAR certified fryer, width < 18 inches **\$500**
per vat
- ENERGY STAR fryer width ≥ 18 inches **\$550**
per vat
- ENERGY STAR griddle **\$250**
- Pasta cooker **\$200**
- Pre-rinse spray valve **\$25**

Restaurant type (select one):

- Cafeteria
- Fast food/small restaurant
- Mid-sized restaurant

Install date

Total installed cost* (per product)

Manufacturer

Model

Quantity (of equipment, not number of vats)

Eligibility requirements

Bottom-finned stock pots

- Stock pot must be a new, commercial-grade bottom-finned stock pot, capacity 18-40 quarts.
- Stock pot must be National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) certified.
- Stock pot must be purchased and used in a kitchen facility that is commercially licensed by the state of Illinois.
- Residential uses and commercial facility kitchenettes are not eligible.

ENERGY STAR certified commercial steamers

- ENERGY STAR certified with a cooking efficiency ≥ 38%.
- Five- and six-pan units are eligible.

ENERGY STAR certified fryers

- ENERGY STAR certified with a heavy load cooking efficiency ≥ 50% using ASTM standard F1361 or F2144.

- Rebate is paid per vat, based on vat width.

ENERGY STAR certified griddles

- ENERGY STAR certified with a heavy load cooking efficiency ≥ 38% using ASTM standard F1275.
- Idle energy consumption rate < 2,600 Btu/hr per square foot of cooking surface.

Pasta cooker

- Must be a dedicated pasta cooker as determined by the manufacturer.

Pre-rinse spray valves

- Spray valves must be installed in commercial kitchens.
- New spray valves must have a flow rate ≤ 0.98 gpm at 60 psi.
- Only single-valve sprayers are eligible.
- Domestic hot water must be gas heated.

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► Attach supplemental documents

Don't forget to submit a legible copy of the itemized invoice(s) or proof of purchase which must include:

- Account holder or business name and installation address (as it appears on the Nicor Gas bill)
- Contractor name, address and phone number
- Date installed and operational (clearly labeled)
- Type of equipment, manufacturer and model
- Total installed cost (itemized by each piece of qualifying equipment)
- Proof of payment or payment terms (for example: balance due of zero, financing terms or paid-in-full stamp)
- For Contractor Circle installing members providing the rebate as an instant discount:** Include a customer-signed invoice showing the rebate amount deducted from the purchase price, clearly labeled as a Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebate. Other discounts or rebates unrelated to Nicor Gas should be shown as a separate line item.

Building type guide

Detailed description of building ventilation system types for hospitals or high-rise office buildings.

Choose the building type on page two that corresponds with your ventilation system.

Have questions?
Call us at 877.886.4239

Ventilation system type

Abbreviation

Constant air volume ventilation (CAV), no economizer

- Does not contain variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers
- Cannot use an economizer for free cooling, likely to be an older system

CAV, no econ

Constant air volume ventilation (CAV) with economizer

- Does not contain variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers
- System has the ability to use an economizer for free cooling

CAV, econ

Variable air volume ventilation (VAV) with economizer

- Contains variable frequency drives or variable air volume dampers
- System has the ability to use an economizer for free cooling

VAV, econ

Fan coil unit (FCU) for ventilation

- Has units that consist of a heating or cooling coil and a fan
- Each fan coil unit serves the space where it is installed or multiple spaces

FCU



Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebate terms and conditions

Participant eligibility

You are eligible to participate in the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program ("the program") if you are a current Nicor Gas:

- Commercial customer and complete qualifying services or complete installation of qualifying equipment/products in a non-residential space with an active Nicor Gas account when the installation/improvement was completed. Self-directed customers are not eligible.

OR

- Residential customer in a multi-family building that has permanent or semi-permanent residents. Multi-family buildings have three or more units and are limited to apartments, condominiums, assisted living facilities and retirement communities.

Installation requirements

Your installation of qualifying high-efficiency natural gas equipment/products or completion of a qualifying service is eligible for a rebate if:

- It meets all specific energy efficiency and program requirements outlined in this application.
- The equipment/product is purchased new. Resale equipment/products, new parts installed in existing equipment/products, or equipment/products that are leased, rebuilt, rented, received from insurance or warranty claims or won as a prize do not qualify.
- Natural gas equipment/product replacing electric equipment/product and electric equipment/product replacing natural gas equipment/product is not eligible.
- For existing facilities, the qualifying natural gas equipment/product installed is replacing existing natural gas equipment/product used for the same purpose.
- For new facilities, including new construction and projects involving a major remodel or demolition and renovation, qualifying equipment/product must meet all other program qualifications.
- It is installed or the service is completed by a qualified individual, compliant with all applicable building, local and state codes and manufacturer specifications. Installations must adhere to applicable environmental, health and safety regulations, and the equipment/product must be properly ventilated (if applicable). Professional installation is not required but is strongly recommended to ensure the efficient and proper functioning of equipment/product.
- The equipment/product is installed and operational and the service was completed at the address listed on the application prior to submittal of this application.
- It is installed or completed in a property owned by the applicant, or the applicant has received permission from the property owner to install the equipment/product or complete the qualifying service. The applicant's signature on the application and/or invoice indicates that the appropriate permission has been obtained.
- It is purchased and installed or service is completed between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022.

Application requirements

To be considered complete and eligible for rebates, all applications must:

- Be postmarked or submitted online no later than 90 days after the installation date, or by January 31, 2023, whichever comes first.
- Include itemized contractor invoice(s) or proof of purchase receipt(s) consisting of:
 - Business/account holder name and installation address
 - Contractor name, address and phone number
 - Installation date (clearly labeled)
 - Type of equipment, equipment manufacturer and model
 - Total installed cost (itemized by each piece of qualifying equipment)
 - Proof of payment or payment terms (for example: balance due of zero, financing terms or paid-in-full stamp)
- Include all required supporting documentation.
- Meet instant discount requirements, if applicable.
- Be signed by the Nicor Gas account holder unless the rebate is being made payable to a Contractor Circle installing member.
- Use separate applications if applying for products installed by different contractors.

Online applications must be:

- Submitted online at nicorgas.com/apply
- Accompanied by a copy of the required contractor invoice(s) or receipt(s) and other required documentation.

Payee information

- The program allows the rebate check to be made payable to one of the following: Nicor Gas account holder, landlord or current Contractor Circle installing member.
- If you are the account holder and want the rebate check to be made payable to you, please complete the rebate application, provide the required supporting documentation listed on the rebate application and sign as the "Applicant."
- In the event a rebate check made payable to the account holder remains uncashed for longer than 90 days, Nicor Gas reserves the right to cancel the check and credit the account holder's active natural gas account.
- To have the check made payable to the landlord (who is not the account holder) or the installing contractor (i.e., a Contractor Circle installing member who provided the rebate as an instant discount), please review all requirements for applications submitted by a landlord or contractor.
- To receive a rebate you must not have received/will not receive a rebate for the same equipment, product or service from more than one Illinois investor-owned utility or third-party energy efficiency program offering rebates or financing funded with ratepayer funds, with the exception of qualifying joint ComEd/Nicor Gas rebate offers.

Contractor Circle installing member instant discount requirements

Rebates being paid directly to the installing contractor must meet the following requirements:

- Instant discounts may only be offered by current Contractor Circle installing members that meet all program requirements.
- Contractor must submit:
 - A contractor signed rebate application with "Contractor Circle installing member" selected as the payee.
 - Any additional required documentation for the specific measure/service installed.
 - A copy of the customer-signed invoice showing the rebate amount deducted from the total purchase price and clearly labeled as a Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebate. The customer's signature on the invoice verifies that the qualifying equipment/product was/were installed, the customer received an instant discount and allows the release of the rebate payment to the contractor.
- Contractor Circle installing members must verify customer, equipment/product and installation or service eligibility prior to providing an instant discount. The contractor assumes all liability by providing the rebate as an instant discount.
- A customer may be contacted by Nicor Gas to verify any of the information provided on the rebate application or invoice prior to payment of a rebate to a contractor for an instant discount.
- Any dispute from a customer regarding receipt of a rebate as an instant discount will be investigated by Nicor Gas, and contractor payees are subject to payment adjustments in the event a customer has not received the full and correct rebate amount as an instant discount.
- Contractor Circle installing members are responsible for providing the full and correct rebate amount for qualifying equipment or products.
- The online instant discount application is limited to Contractor Circle installing members. Contractors should visit nicorgas.com/installer for more information or to enroll.

Landlord participant requirements

If you are applying for a rebate for a property you own, but the Nicor Gas account is in your tenant's name, your rebate application must show:

- Tenant's (customer's) Nicor Gas account number, name and address.
- The appropriate box checked for the rebate to be paid to the landlord, with full name or business name in the proper fields.

By signing the application, the landlord represents that the account holder has agreed to release payment of the rebate to the landlord.

Program terms and conditions

- Funds are limited and applications are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis. Program is subject to change and may end without prior notice.
- Please allow approximately six to eight weeks for processing of any rebates.
- Incomplete applications cannot be processed. Failure to complete the rebate application in full and provide the required supporting documentation will either delay the payment process or result in your application being denied.
- Maintain a copy of your rebate application and all supporting documentation. The program is not responsible for items (i.e., rebate applications, supporting documentation and/or rebate checks) lost or damaged in the mail.
- Contractor Circle installing members are eligible to have the rebate signed over to them. Contractors receiving rebates are not eligible for any other incentives for the same services or products.
- If you do not own the property where the equipment or product is installed or the service provided, as a tenant, you are responsible for obtaining the property owner's permission to provide the service or to install the equipment/product for which you are applying for a rebate. Your submission of this application indicates that you have obtained permission.
- Rebate incentives may not exceed the total purchase price of the installed equipment, product or services. Only materials, equipment, product and external labor costs are eligible.
- All equipment or product installations are subject to verification by the program to ensure that the equipment/product installed or service completed meets the program requirements.
- Participants must allow, if requested, the program (or a program representative) reasonable access to their facility to verify that the equipment/product is installed and operating or that the service has been performed.
- Participants may be contacted by an evaluator to verify the equipment/product installation or services, or be asked to complete a customer survey. If contacted, your participation is required.
- Nicor Gas, its officers, employees, contractors and program administrators disclaim any and all liability, loss or damage and make no guarantees related to:
 - Participation in the program, including use or installation of the product(s)/equipment or receipt of services
 - Loss or delay of rebate check in the mail
 - Any taxes that may be imposed as a result of participation in the program
- Payments made to contractors, commercial customers or landlords may be taxable under federal and state tax codes. If payments total more than \$600 per calendar year, they will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. Nicor Gas is not responsible for providing advice regarding any taxes that may be imposed as a result of participation in the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program. Participants should consult a tax accountant or advisor regarding potential tax liability. Nicor Gas is not responsible for any taxes that may be imposed on your business as a result of these payments.