

Proposed Recognition Criteria for Bathroom and Utility Ventilating Fans

Scope

Included products. Residential ventilating fans, as defined below, are eligible for ENERGY STAR® Most Efficient recognition in 2013.

Residential Ventilating Fan: A ceiling, wall-mounted, or remotely mounted in-line fan designed to be used in a bathroom or utility room, or a kitchen range hood, whose purpose is to move objectionable air from inside the building to the outdoors.

Excluded products. While included in the definition to keep consistency with the ENERGY STAR specification, criteria have not been established for the following products, and they are not eligible for Most Efficient recognition in 2013:

- In line fans
- Range hoods

Recognition Criteria

- 1) Product must be ENERGY STAR qualified consistent with applicable ENERGY STAR Partner Commitments and the requirements set forth in the ENERGY STAR Program Requirements Product Specification for Residential Ventilating Fans Version 3.2. Product performance must be certified by an EPA-recognized certification body.
- 2) Efficacy at high speed (cfm/W): ≥7.5 for fans 10 -89 cfm; ≥6.8 for fans 90 cfm or higher.

Recognition Period

EPA will add qualifying models to the 2013 Most Efficient product list for ventilating fans from January 1, 2013 through December 30, 2013. The 2013 Most Efficient designation may be used in association with models recognized during this period for as long as the model remains on the market.