# Recognition Criteria

## Bathroom and Utility Ventilating Fans

### Scope

**Included products:** Residential ventilating fans, as defined below, are eligible for ENERGY STAR® Most Efficient recognition in 2016.

**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 ENERGY STAR Most Efficient recognition in 2016:

- In-line fans
- Range hoods

### Recognition Criteria

1. Product must be ENERGY STAR certified 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 4.0. Product performance must be certified by a certification body recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

2. Efficacy at high speed (cfm/W): \( \geq 10 \).

### Recognition Period

EPA will add qualifying models to the ENERGY STAR Most Efficient 2016 product list for ventilating fans from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. The ENERGY STAR Most Efficient 2016 designation may be used in association with models recognized during this period for as long as the model remains on the market.