

# Get comfortable in an ENERGY STAR® certified new apartment home.

**The right choice, for today and tomorrow.**

Your apartment is your home, and ENERGY STAR certified new apartments are designed and built so that all energy efficiency systems and features work together to deliver better performance. The ENERGY STAR label on your apartment means it was designed and built to standards well above most other apartments on the market. And energy efficiency is just the beginning. ENERGY STAR certified apartments deliver economic value, thanks to their high-quality features and systems.



## A better home for a better tomorrow.

ENERGY STAR certified new apartments are just built better. More comfort. Increased savings. A better, healthier world. That's what you can expect from your ENERGY STAR certified new apartment.

Learn more about ENERGY STAR certified new apartments at [energystar.gov/newapartments](http://energystar.gov/newapartments).



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# The future starts here.



## Heating, Cooling, and Ventilation Systems

ENERGY STAR certified apartments come equipped with heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems that are designed and installed to optimize performance, increase efficiency, and keep you more comfortable. High-efficiency systems also provide better indoor air quality, moisture control, and quieter operation.

ENERGY STAR apartments meet all the requirements of EPA's comprehensive HVAC Quality Installation to ensure:

- Heating and cooling equipment is sized and installed correctly to **maximize comfort and performance**.
- Ducts are properly sealed to **reduce air leakage, ensure comfort, and safeguard indoor air quality**.\*
- Ventilation systems are designed and installed to **reduce indoor air pollutants** and measured to verify performance.

## Insulation, Sealing, and Windows

You want your apartment to be comfortable no matter what the weather is outside. Comprehensive air sealing, properly installed insulation, and high-performance windows work together to create a more comfortable and efficient space with:

- Tighter construction to **reduce leaks and drafts**.
- **Correct levels and installation of insulation**.
- High-performance windows with advanced technologies according to your climate zone such as protective coatings and improved framing to **deliver comfort and savings tailored to your apartment's location** while providing protection from ultraviolet sunlight.

## Water Management Systems

ENERGY STAR certified apartments include a comprehensive package of water management practices and materials that help to protect your apartment from damage and reduce the risk of indoor air quality problems. These comprehensive water management systems are built to prevent rain and moisture from building up in living areas, or behind walls. These water management requirements help ensure:

- **Water is directed off the roof**, down the walls, and away from the foundation.
- Your apartment is built with moisture-resistant barriers to **prevent water damage**.
- **Building materials are protected during construction** to minimize the possibility of mold and rot.

## Lighting and Appliances

ENERGY STAR certified apartments often include lighting and appliances in a complete energy efficient package that meets EPA's rigorous guidelines. ENERGY STAR certified lighting and appliances meet strict energy efficiency standards to deliver better performance and quality, without sacrificing style and design.

\*Applies to installation of forced air systems.

\*\*An apartment may be certified as part of a sample set that have undergone random testing and inspections.



## Independent Inspections and Tests

ENERGY STAR certified apartments are independently inspected and tested by a professional Home Energy Rater.\*\* Home Energy Raters work with ENERGY STAR developer partners throughout the construction process to ensure:

- Your apartment has the appropriate energy efficient features that **fit your climate region**.
- Critical **requirements are verified** at each phase of construction.
- Key systems in your apartment are working properly to deliver **better efficiency, durability, and comfort**.



**MORE CONSISTENT TEMPERATURES**



**REDUCED LEAKS AND DRAFTS**



**IMPROVED INDOOR AIR**



**BETTER DURABILITY**



**UTILITY SAVINGS**

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