

# Tax Credits For Green Building

In October, President Bush signed H.R. 1424, the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008. The tax credits start on January 1, 2009. Here is a breakdown of the credits if you build a green home or upgrade your existing home.

## **Existing home tax credits, house must be your primary residence**

1. Exterior Windows, 10% of total cost, up to \$200, must be Energy Star
2. Exterior Doors, 10% of product cost, up to \$500, must be Energy Star
3. Storm Doors, 10% of product cost, up to \$500, must be Energy Star
4. Insulation, 10% of product cost, up to \$500, materials only
5. Roofing, 10% of product cost, up to \$500, materials only, must be Energy Star
6. Central AC, \$300 toward installation & Equipment, must be Energy Star
7. Heat Pump, \$300 toward installation & Equipment, must be Energy Star
8. Water Heater, \$300 toward installation & Equipment, must be Energy Star
9. Biomass Space Heater or Water Heater, \$300 towards installation & equipment, must be Energy Star
10. Furnace, \$150 towards installation and equipment, must have an annual fuel utilization efficiency (AFUE) of 95%
11. Furnace Fan, \$50 for efficient air-circulating fan
12. Boiler, \$150 towards installation and equipment, AFUE of 95% or more

## **New Home Tax Credits, Must Be Completed By Dec. 31, 2009**

1. Photovoltaic's, 30% for equipment and installation, no cap
2. Solar water systems, 30% tax credit for equipment and installation, \$2,000 cap, must supply at least 50% of hot water and must be SRCC certified, No Pools
3. Geothermal, 30% tax credit for equipment and installation, \$2,000 cap
4. Wind, \$500 per .5kw, \$4,000 cap
5. Fuel Cell Systems, \$1,500 per .5kw

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