



information

Burning your wood

- Use clean, seasoned firewood that is split to the right size for your appliance.
- Use small pieces of wood kindling and newspaper to start your fire.
- Burn small, hot, bright fires.
- Open the damper to increase air circulation and improve burning. When you see smoke, it's a sign that your fire needs more air and/or drier wood.
- Do not damp or hold your fire overnight. This creates excessive emissions and promotes the formation of creosote build-up in your chimney.

DO NOT burn these materials in your residential wood burning appliance:

- Wet wood
- Pressure-treated wood
- Painted wood
- Particle board
- Plywood
- Household rubbish
- Driftwood
- Plastic
- Styrofoam
- Cardboard
- Coal

Maintaining your wood stove and your home

- Have your wood burning appliance, chimney and vents inspected and cleaned at least once a year by a certified technician.
- Empty ashes from your wood stove and fireplace frequently.
- Install a smoke alarm and a carbon monoxide detector in your home.
- Reduce your heating needs by making your house more energy efficient.

Participating home heating retailers

A current list of participating retailers can be found by visiting:

www.metrovancover.org
(search "Community Wood Smoke Reduction")

or contact the Metro Vancouver Community Wood Smoke Reduction Program Coordinator:

Phone 604-432-6200

E-mail CWSRP@metrovancover.org



Community Wood Smoke Reduction Program

Rebates of \$300 to \$2,000



Rebate Amounts

Metro Vancouver's Community Wood Smoke Reduction Program

Metro Vancouver residents can receive a rebate of:

- \$1,000 for an exchange from an uncertified wood-burning appliance to an electric heat pump
- \$750 for an exchange to a pellet stove
- \$500 for an exchange to a certified wood-burning appliance
- \$400 for an exchange to an electric insert
- \$300 for removal of existing uncertified and certified wood-burning appliances without installing new heating appliances

Residents in Indigenous communities can receive a rebate of:

- \$2,000 for an exchange to a heat pump
- \$1,500 for an exchange to a pellet stove
- \$1,000 for an exchange to a certified wood-burning appliance
- \$400 for an exchange to an electric insert
- \$300 for removal of existing uncertified and certified wood-burning appliances without installing new heating appliances

Please note that rebate funding is limited and rebates will be issued to qualifying residents on a first come, first serve basis.

How To Participate

1 Find out if you qualify

To find out which appliances can be traded in and which can be purchased as replacements, visit:

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2 Shop

When you are ready to shop for your new low-emission appliance, visit a participating home heating retailer (see back of brochure) to arrange purchase and obtain a rebate application form. If you are removing an existing wood burning appliance, without installing a new appliance, please contact the program coordinator.

3 Disable and recycle your old appliance

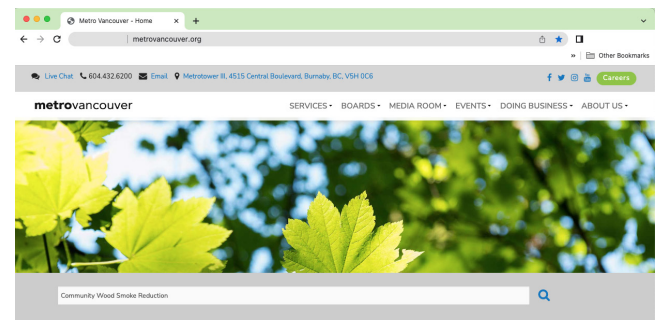
Your retailer will help you with the disabling and recycling of your old wood appliance. If preferred, residents can dismantle, disable and recycle their old appliance on their own, however, prior to beginning these steps you must contact the Metro Vancouver coordinator or your retailer for important information on the proper procedure.

4 Install new appliance

Install the new appliance in accordance with current building code regulations. Your retailer can assist you with this process. Also, if you're installing a wood burning unit, you may want to contact your home insurance provider to find out whether they have any additional installation requirements.

5 Submit application form and attach all supporting documentation

The retailer will help ensure that your rebate form is complete and that all necessary supporting documentation is attached. This information is then forwarded to Metro Vancouver's program coordinator for processing. Please note that it may take up to 8 weeks, once the completed form has been submitted, before you receive your rebate cheque via Canada Post.



Search "Community Wood Smoke Reduction" on metrovancouver.org