

## Solar Hot Water Rebate

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The Australian Government is helping Australian households install climate friendly hot water technologies. Rebates of \$1,000 are available in eligible circumstances to install solar and heat pump hot water systems that replace electric hot water systems in existing privately owned homes. Installing a climate friendly hot water system can save a family \$300–\$700 in electricity costs each year. The rebate is offered for systems installed on or after 18 July 2007 until 31 March 2012 (subject to the availability of funds). Rebates are conditional on meeting all aspects outlined in the guidelines for the Solar Hot Water Rebate Program. The Australian Government reserves the right to change the rebate amount or any other aspect of the rebate guidelines. The \$1,000 rebate is in addition to renewable energy certificates (RECs) which are assigned to most solar hot water systems sold in Australia. (Most systems create 20 RECs or more). RECs can provide a discount of over \$800 on the up front cost of the average solar hot water system. To download your information pack, please go to <http://www.environment.gov.au/settlements/renewable/solarhotwater/pubs/solarhotwater-guidelines-july2008.pdf>