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## Energy check (gas, heat, electricity)

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### i Energy consumption

Before 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022, gas and electricity suppliers are to offer their customers receiving the energy check to send their consumption data. This data must be transmitted free of charge, in real time (only for electricity), in particular via an application on a smartphone or computer or on a secure space made available by suppliers. These beneficiaries must first accept the terms of transmission.

This is what a [decree of 19 may 2021](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/jorf/id/JORFTEXT000043511776) and several orders.

The energy check helps you pay your electricity and gas bills. It is also used to pay energy charges if you are staying in certain establishments (e.g. Ehpad) or home. Finally, it allows you to pay for certain works or energy expenses. To get it, your income must not exceed a certain ceiling. You have no steps to take. The check is at least €48 and €277TTC ().

### What's that about?

The energy check is used to help you **pay the following expenses:**

- **Energy invoices and fuel purchase** (electricity, natural gas or liquefied petroleum, domestic fuel, wood, biomass or other fuels for heating or hot water production)
- **Energy charges included in your royalty (kind of rent)**, if you are staying in a home or another establishment. The establishments concerned are the accommodation establishments for dependent or non-dependent elderly persons ([Ehpad](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F763?lang=en) or EHPA), independent residence, establishment or long-term care unit (ESLD or USLD).
- **Some works or energy expenditure for your accommodation**

The work or expenditure shall be:

- Pellets
- Geothermal or Solar Heat Pump
- Solar heating
- Log boiler
- Air/water heat pump
- Solar water heater
- Pellets
- Log pan
- Closed fireplace, insert
- Hybrid solar equipment
- High performance gas boiler
- Heat or cold networks
- Thermodynamic water heaters
- Deposition of a fuel tank
- Air-to-air heat pump
- Installation of a thermostat with powerful regulation
- Powerful electric radiator replacing an old convector
- Controlled mechanical ventilation (VMC)
- Simple flow mechanical ventilation
- Thermal insulation of windows (and glass walls) provided that the settled materials replace single-glazed walls
- Insulation of the walls from the outside
- Indoor insulation of walls
- Isolation of roof terraces
- Isolation of roof rampants and roof ceilings
- Isolation of lost attic
- Insulation of a low floor
- Energy audit

They **imperative** performed by a professional *recognised as the guarantor of the environment (RGE)*.

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Ecological Transition Agency (Ademe)

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online service   
(<https://www.faire.fr/trouvez-un-professionnel>)

 **Warning** : the energy check is not a bank check. It is not cashable from a bank.

### What are the conditions for taking advantage of it?

The energy check is assigned **under resource conditions**.

To be eligible, **annual tax reference income (RFR)** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F13216?lang=en>) your household must be less than €10,800 per unit of consumption (CPU).

 **FYI** : the CPU is used to calculate your consumption knowing that one person corresponds to 1 CPU, that the <sup>e</sup> person is 0.5 CPU, and each additional person is 0.3 CPU.

### How to benefit?

You don't **no steps to take**. The tax authorities are responsible for determining the list of persons who meet the conditions of allocation.

This list shall be forwarded to the Service and Payment Agency (ASP).

The SPA then sends the energy check to the people concerned.

### How to receive it?

The energy check is sent once a year to your home (home or residence).

### How much is it?

The check amount is at least €48 and €277TTC ().

This amount varies depending on **tax reference income (RFR)** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F13216?lang=en>) your household and your calculated CPU consumption.

 **Reminder** : 1 person matches 1 CPU, 2<sup>e</sup> person is 0.5 CPU, and each additional person is 0.3 CPU.

Baseline Tax Income (RFR) by Unit of Consumption (CPU)

Household	Lower RFR €5,600 by CPU	RFR €5,600 to €6,700 by CPU	RFR €6,700 to €7,700 by CPU	RFR €7,700 to €10,800 by CPU
1 person (corresponds to 1 CPU)	€194	€146	€98	€48
2 people (corresponds to 1 CPU + 0.5 CPU)	€240	€176	€113	€63
2 people + 1 person or more (corresponds to 1 CPU + 0.5 CPU + 0.3 CPU for each additional person)	€277	€202	€126	€76

You can do an online simulation to check if you are concerned with the energy check and know its amount:

 Know if you are entitled to the energy check and how much

Ministry of Housing

Go to  
simulator   
(<https://chequeenergie.gouv.fr/beneficiaire/eligibilite>)

## How do you pay your expenses?

Répondez aux questions successives et les réponses s'afficheront automatiquement

From your energy supplier  
Electricity or natural gas bill

To pay an electricity or natural gas bill, you don't have to wait for your next bill. You have 2 possibilities:

- You pay online on [energy check site](https://chequeenergie.gouv.fr/) <sup>↗</sup> (<https://chequeenergie.gouv.fr/>) by entering your check number, scratch code, customer references
- You send your energy check by simple mail to your supplier. You must attach a copy of a recent invoice or schedule showing your customer references.

You can also request that your energy check be deducted directly from your invoice by your supplier.

This request can be made in 2 ways:

- Be online on [energy check site](https://chequeenergie.gouv.fr/) <sup>↗</sup> (<https://chequeenergie.gouv.fr/>)
- Either by checking the red box on your energy check before sending your check by simple mail to your supplier

You will no longer have to go through the following years to use your energy check on this same contract if you are still entitled to the check.

➡ **FYI** : if your check amount is greater than your next invoice, the balance of the check amount will be automatically deducted from the following invoices.

Purchase of fuel (fuel oil, wood, LPG...)

To pay for your purchase, you must hand over your energy check directly to your supplier.

➡ **FYI** : if the amount of your check exceeds your invoice, there is no money returned.

With your home manager or Ehpad, EHPA, self-catering, ESLD, USLD

To pay for your energy expenses included in your royalty, you must remit your energy check directly to your home or institution.

➡ **FYI** : if the amount of your check exceeds your next due date, the balance of the check amount will be automatically deducted from the following notices.

At the company carrying out the energy renovation works in your accommodation

You can pay your work bill directly with your energy check to the RGE company you have chosen.

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## How long is it valid?

Your energy check is valid **until 31 March of the year following its issue** .

Its validity date is written on the check.

## Can the energy check be combined with other devices?

Yes, the energy check is cumulative with the device [MaPrimeRénov](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F35083?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F35083?lang=en>).

## Statute and miscellaneous references

- Energy Code: items R124-1 to D124-17 <sup>↗</sup> (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000033514621&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000023983208>)
- Ministerial Response of October 29, 2019 on the Energy Check <sup>↗</sup> (<http://questions.assemblee-nationale.fr/q15/15-7698QE.htm>)

- Ministerial Response of 4 February 2020 on the deployment of Linky smart metres [↗](http://questions.assemblee-nationale.fr/q15/15-6793QE.htm) (<http://questions.assemblee-nationale.fr/q15/15-6793QE.htm>)
- Decree No. 2021-1541 of 29 November 2021 on the revaluation of the energy check for the year 2021 [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/jorf/id/JORFTEXT000044387624) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/jorf/id/JORFTEXT000044387624>)  
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#### Online services and forms

- Know if you are entitled to the energy check and how much (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/R59559?lang=en>)  
Simulator
- Calculate the evolution of its gas bill (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/R38121?lang=en>)  
Simulator
- Calculate the evolution of its electricity bill (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/R51301?lang=en>)  
Simulator

#### For more information, please contact

- Site dedicated to energy check [↗](https://chequeenergie.gouv.fr/) (<https://chequeenergie.gouv.fr/>)  
*Ministry of Housing*
- Information site for electricity and gas consumers [↗](http://energie-info.fr/) (<http://energie-info.fr/>)  
*National Energy Ombudsman*
- All about energy check [↗](https://www.inc-conso.fr/content/tout-savoir-sur-le-cheque-energie) (<https://www.inc-conso.fr/content/tout-savoir-sur-le-cheque-energie>)  
*National Institute of Consumer Affairs (INC)*

#### HOW TO...

- I buy a house (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F15913>)
- I move (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F14128>)

See all "how to" instructions... (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/comment-faire-si>)