

Qualifying requirements and procedures for recommended washing machines on the Danish Energy Saving Trust's (Go' Energi) product overview

Qualifying requirements

In order to be recommended on the Danish Energy Saving Trust's (hereinafter called the Trust) product overview of washing machines and thereby be entitled to use the Energy Saving Label (Go' Energimærket), the product must conform to the following requirements, namely:

- The product must be classified energy efficiency A++ or better, with spin-drying efficiency A, per Commission Delegated Regulation supplementing Directive 2010/30/EU of the European Parliament and Council with regard to energy labelling of household washing machines
- The product must comply with all other statutory requirements in Denmark
- A user manual in Danish or the Scandinavian languages must be supplied with the product
- The product must be available on the Danish market at the time that the product is recommended on the Trust's product overview of washing machines at savingtrust.dk
- There must be an agent for Denmark located in the EU, who is responsible for contact with the Trust
- The producer/importer (hereinafter called the market participant) must make it possible for Danish consumers to have their enquiries dealt with by a Danish speaking contact person
- Sales figures for the product must be sent to the Danish Energy Label Secretariat (Sekretariat for Go' Energimærket) every year

Inclusion procedure

Before the product is recommended on the Trust's product overview, the market participant must forward a signed declaration. Thereafter, the market participant must submit product information, and the products that fulfil the requirements are marked with the Energy Saving Label at GoEnergi.dk. Product information should be sent to:

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Energy Saving Label

Once a product is recommended on the Trust's product overview, retailers and producers have the right to use the Energy Saving Label in connection with the marketing of products on the understanding that they have entered into a User and Product Agreement with the Trust. The individual agreements can be requested from the Danish Energy Label Secretariat.

Conditions for recommendation on the product overview

The market participant must inform the Trust about any product alterations, and if it is no longer sold, or is being phased out of the Danish market. A product may only be recommended on the Trust's product overview as long as it remains unaltered. If the product is altered or fails a random test, it may not use the Energy Saving Label. If the market participant wishes to have the altered product recommended again on the product overview, the market participant must complete the application procedure again. Only the Trust can decide whether the product should be recommended again.

The Trust reserves the right to amend the qualifying requirements for inclusion of recommended products on the product overview. In the event of changes to the qualifying requirements and procedures a minimum of 2 months notice will be given. Thereafter, the Energy Saving Label will be removed from the product overview, subject to the fact that no new documentation is delivered demonstrating that the products conform to the new requirements.

Additional documentation

The Trust may at any time, and without stating a reason, request the market participant to forward additional documentation showing that the product meets the qualifying requirements. The product will only be recommended on the product overview once all the additional documentation has been processed by the Trust. The market participant agrees to allow the Trust to pass on information to the test laboratory used by the Trust.

Random testing

The Trust reserves the right to undertake random testing of products listed on the overviews of washing machines. The Trust selects products for testing from the warehouses or showrooms of producers, distributors or retailers. The Trust will cover the cost of testing one appliance as well as the cost of purchasing the products to be tested.

The Trust must be advised within 2 weeks in situations where a product fails the Trust's tests and the market participant does not accept the results. In this connection, the market participant may submit new argumentation and/or documentation in order to refute the test conclusions. If the Trust does not approve any new documentation, the market participant can initiate a follow-up test of 3 appliances. Alternatively, the Trust's conclusion will stand and the product forfeits the right to use the Energy Saving Label.

If the market participant decides to initiate a follow-up test of 3 appliances, the Trust has the right to select the 3 products, and the testing will be carried out at an authorised test laboratory. The results of the follow-up test of 3 appliances will be made available by the Trust within 5 weeks, unless otherwise agreed. The cost of testing the 3 appliances will be met by the market participant. In the event that the follow-up test of 3 appliances invalidates the original result, the product(s) will again be recommended on the product overview. The Trust has the right to distribute the test results to the relevant authorities and retailers of the product tested, as well as publish the test results via the relevant media.

Submission of material

The material required, and any questions should be addressed to:

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