

How to apply?

Check if you're eligible – See the terms and conditions on our website

Collect all the required documentation and information. Read the eligibility guidelines on our website for more information.

Complete the online application form. You may choose to consult an expert to help with your application.

Check your email for next steps. Please follow the instructions in the email in order to submit all the required supporting information and documentation. This is essential to progress your application.

SEAI is Ireland's national energy authority investing in, and delivering, appropriate, effective and sustainable solutions to help Ireland's transition to a clean energy future.

We work with Government, homeowners, businesses and communities to achieve this, through expertise, funding, educational programmes, policy advice, research and the development of new technologies.

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Support for renewable heat in business



Businesses spend a significant amount of money on heating. Switching to a renewable heating system can help you save money and make you more resilient to rising energy costs.

You will also reduce your carbon footprint. Customers are embracing green business, and it is increasingly important to show that you are taking steps to improve the sustainability of your business.

We can help you use less energy and use renewable. Government-funded support is available to install a heat pump or receive a tariff for the heat you create and consume from a biomass, biogas or CHP system. If you are a business in the commercial, agricultural, industrial or public sector, you can apply. This includes hotels and leisure centres, office buildings, farms, agri-business and industrial processes.

Heat pump grant



A 30% Government grant is available from SEAI to install a heat pump system.

Heat pumps are a renewable technology and an efficient alternative to heating systems that burn fossil fuels. They are electrical devices which convert energy from the air, ground or water outside of your building into useful heat. This heat can be used for heating buildings, hot water and for use in manufacturing processes. In well insulated buildings, they are very economical to run.

For example, a community building of 1,000 square metres with good building fabric that installs a heat pump system for €90,000 could receive a grant of up to €27,000. They would expect to see their energy bills drop from €12,000 annually for gas to €4,000 annually for electricity.*

The grant is available for eligible heating systems using

- Air source heat pumps
- Ground source heat pumps
- Water source heat pumps

Tariff for biomass or biogas heat



A tariff is available for businesses that install biomass or biogas heating systems in a new build or in place of an existing fossil fuel heating system. You will receive an ongoing quarterly payment for 15 years based on how much heat you produce and consume.

The technologies covered include:

- Biomass boiler
- Biomass CHP heating systems
- Biogas boiler
- Biogas CHP heating systems

The use of biomass and biogas is reliable and efficient. Many business are seeing additional benefits through developing a local supply chain that is a more sustainable and dependable source for their energy requirements.

For example, a hotel of 4,500 square metres might typically expect to use 800 MWh of heat energy per year. This costs approximately €40,000 for gas. If they switched from a gas boiler to a biomass boiler, they could expect to pay a little more for fuel – in the region of €53,000 for wood fuel pellets. However they could expect a tariff of €32,000 per year paid quarterly for 15 years, bringing annual fuel costs to €21,000. That's a net saving of €19,000 per year.*

* This is a hypothetical example for illustration only. Please contact an installer for a better idea of how much a heating system will cost and what you can expect to save.