Certification Page

Read each item on this page before signing the application. If you do not understand any item, ask the worker for assistance. Person ID:

Application #:

- 1. I understand I am responsible for providing all required information within 30 days of the date of the application or the application is void and will be denied. I may reapply but a new application may be required.
- 2. I understand I am responsible for reporting the names of all persons living at my address and the Social Security number and income of all persons in my household. Collection of Social Security numbers is not prohibited by federal law and is a required data element for tracking applicant benefits granted by this Program. Failure to provide this information will result in delayed processing of my application and the inability to determine benefit amounts.
- 3. I understand I am responsible for using the payments I receive to pay for the heating/electric costs for the residence listed in my application or for paying the heating/electric costs for any future permanent residence I may move to in Wisconsin.
- 4. I understand I have the right to apply for Energy Assistance benefits and to receive either a payment or letter of explanation within 45 days from the date the application process is completed. I understand that the payment or letter of explanation may be delayed depending on when the Program year begins and/or when payments are being processed.
- 5. I understand I have the right to request a fair hearing within 15 days after receiving a notification letter if I believe my Energy Assistance application has not been processed timely, has been incorrectly denied, or my payment is incorrect. I may also request a fair hearing if I have not received payment or explanation. I may ask for a fair hearing by contacting the local office that processed my application because I applied directly to their office or submitted an online application.
- 6. I understand I have the right to file a complaint if I believe I have been discriminated against in any unlawful way. I may file a complaint by contacting the authorized person within my county or tribe or submit an email to <u>heat@wisconsin.gov</u>.
- 7. I understand that by providing application information I am authorizing the Wisconsin Department of Administration and its authorized agents to verify the data provided against federal, state, county, energy provider, water utility, employer and landlord databases or records.
- 8. I understand that by providing the account numbers for my household energy supplier(s) I am authorizing the energy provider(s) to provide details about the account and energy use to the Wisconsin Department of Administration for the purposes of eligibility determination of this and future applications, benefit determination, and program evaluation and analysis including before and after receiving any weatherization services.
- 9. I understand that the rights, requirements, and authorizations I am certifying to, may also apply to multiple heating seasons, crisis, and furnace applications, when supplemental benefits are issued, and to outreach activities.
- 10. I understand the information collected on this and any future forms may be disclosed to energy programs operating under the Wisconsin Public Benefit Program Authority, Wisconsin Public Service Commission Approval, or other programs administered by the State of Wisconsin and may be used for the purposes of referral, research, evaluation, and analysis.
- 11. I understand if eligible for energy assistance benefits, I may be referred to other residential weatherization and/or energy programs. I authorize the weatherization agency to provide weatherization services to my residence. If I am not the owner of the residence, I authorize the weatherization agency to contact my landlord and I will cooperate with the agency providing weatherization services.
- 12. I understand when applying for energy assistance I may be denied benefits and/or be required to apply online or via phone if I demonstrate threatening behavior to an agency and/or worker.

I certify that all information provided in connection with the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program application are true and complete statements of facts. I further certify that I have read and understand the statements above. I understand that I may be required to provide proof of any information upon request of an authorized agent of the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program, that giving false information will invalidate this and any future application(s) and require the return of any benefits received and possibly subject me to criminal prosecution. By typing my name in the 'Applicant Signature' field, I indicate that I am the person named, and this entry is the legal equivalent of a manual/handwritten signature. I further understand that I may print out the document and sign by hand.

Applicant	Signature
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Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

Applications must be mailed to the local energy office

ocal office address:	To contact your local office, go to: <u>https://energyandhousing.wi.gov/Pages/Home.aspx</u>
	Select the county/tribe where you live from the map or drop-down menu found on this page.

This application can be made available in alternate formats to individuals with disabilities upon request.