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## Program Guidelines for Consumers

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### Introduction

As part of Governor Malloy's efforts to provide cleaner, cheaper and more reliable transportation energy and to support our clean air goals, EVConnecticut is excited to announce an incentive pilot program – the *Connecticut Hydrogen and Electric Automobile Purchase Rebate* (CHEAPR). This program will increase the number of clean vehicles on our roads by offering Connecticut drivers up to \$5,000 towards the purchase or lease of a new, eligible electric vehicle!

The CHEAPR rebate program is made possible through a funding commitment by Eversource Energy, formerly Northeast Utilities, as part of a broader commitment to energy efficiency and related initiatives set forth in a Settlement Agreement related to the NU-NSTAR merger.

## Program Overview

For a limited time<sup>1</sup>, EVConnecticut is offering a rebate of up to \$5,000 for Connecticut residents<sup>2</sup> who purchase or lease a new, eligible electric vehicle from a licensed Connecticut franchised new automobile dealer. This rebate applies to the following kinds of vehicles:

- Battery electric vehicles
- Fuel cell electric vehicles
- Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles

The CHEAPR program has limited funds, so it's important to check [www.EVConnecticut.com](http://www.EVConnecticut.com) often to make sure funds are still available. Purchases or leases made prior to the program start date are not eligible for the rebate.

## Applying for a CHEAPR Rebate

Applying for a CHEAPR rebate couldn't be easier! After you visit your local new car dealership and select an eligible new vehicle, you just have to

1. Purchase or lease an eligible new vehicle.<sup>3</sup>
2. Apply online in only minutes at the dealership

Your sales associate will help you with the simple application process.

## Make Sure You Qualify

To qualify for a CHEAPR rebate, applicants must:

- Provide proof of Connecticut residency
  - Individuals must provide their Connecticut<sup>4</sup> driver's license number
  - Non-individuals<sup>5</sup> must provide their tax identification number
- Provide proof of purchase or lease of an eligible vehicle from a licensed Connecticut franchised new automobile dealer
- Provide proof of registration for the [eligible vehicle](#) in Connecticut
- Certify that the applicant will retain possession of the vehicle for at least 24 months in Connecticut
- Complete application materials and a short survey at the dealership at the time of purchase or lease

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<sup>1</sup> The CHEAPR rebate program will run from May 19, 2015 until program funds are exhausted.

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of the CHEAPR rebate program, Connecticut residents include active duty members of the armed forces who are stationed in Connecticut.

<sup>3</sup> Vehicles used as dealership floor models or demonstration ("demo") vehicles are eligible for CHEAPR rebates provided they have not been previously registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Please contact the Program Administrator to verify vehicle eligibility prior to vehicle purchase/lease.

<sup>4</sup> Active duty members of the armed forces who are stationed in Connecticut but with permanent residency in another state may use military orders as proof of residency.

<sup>5</sup> Non-individual entities eligible for the CHEAPR rebate program include businesses, non-profit organizations, and state and municipal governments.

Within available funds, private individuals are allowed one CHEAPR rebate and non-individuals are allowed up to two CHEAPR rebates.

### When to Expect Your Rebate

The rebate will be sent by electronic funds transfer to you or your designee (i.e., the dealership) within 10 calendar days after your application is approved. In most cases, the entire application process, including rebate payment, will be completed within two weeks of vehicle purchase or lease.

### Rebate Amounts and Eligible Vehicles

On and after July 1, 2016, the levels of rebates available under the program are:

Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV)	
Rebate Amount	Required Battery Capacity
\$3,000	Greater than 18 kWh
\$1,500	10 to 18 kWh
\$750	Less than 10 kWh
Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV)	
Rebate Amount	Required Battery Capacity
\$3,000	Greater than 25 kWh
\$1,500	20 to 25 kWh
\$750	Less than 20 kWh
Fuel Cell Electric Vehicle (FCEV)	
Rebate Amount	Required Battery Capacity
\$5,000	Any fuel cell electric vehicle

From May 19, 2015 through June 30, 2016, the levels of rebates available under the program are:

Rebate Amount	Required Battery Capacity
\$3,000	Greater than 18kWh or any fuel cell electric vehicle
\$1,500	7 to 18 kWh
\$750	Less than 7 kWh

All vehicles that are eligible for CHEAPR rebates must meet the following criteria:

- Capable of highway operation
- A base MSRP that does not exceed \$60,000

The following vehicles are not eligible for CHEAPR rebate:

- Aftermarket plug-in hybrid electric and battery electric conversions
- Electric scooters, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), and neighborhood or low speed vehicles
- Electric motorcycles

### The Fine Print....

*The CHEAPR rebate program is a monetary rebate available to Connecticut residents and Connecticut franchised new car dealers for the purchase or lease of a new plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV), battery electric vehicle (BEV) or fuel cell electric vehicle (FCEV) that is highway capable and has a base*

*MSRP not exceeding \$60,000. For purposes of this program, PHEVs, BEVs, and FCEVs may collectively be referred to as electric vehicles (EVs).*

*Vehicle purchaser and lessee CHEAPR rebate requirements are determined by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection who in its sole discretion reserves the right to make changes such as, but not limited to, eligible vehicles, rebate amounts, vehicle price caps and vehicle purchaser or lessee requirements.*

### **But Wait, There's More!**

Did you know that in addition to the CHEAPR rebate, you may also benefit from a [federal tax credit](#) of \$2,500 to \$7,500, depending on the size of the battery in the eligible electric vehicle? On the low end of the spectrum, cars with 4 kWh battery packs qualify for a \$2,500 tax credit. The credit maxes out at \$7,500 for cars with a 16 kWh or larger battery pack.