

New DOE Minimum Efficiency Requirements

Beginning January 1, 2023, the DOE is increasing the minimum efficiencies for central air conditioners and heat pumps.

- For air conditioners in the North, the minimum efficiency will increase from 13.0 to 14.0 SEER under today's M test procedure
- For air conditioners in the South, the minimum efficiency will increase from 14.0 to 15.0 SEER under today's M test procedure
- The national heat pump minimum efficiency will increase from 14.0 to 15.0 SEER under today's M test procedure

Compliance for Existing Split System AC Inventory

Split system AC equipment manufactured prior to December 31, 2022, **can be installed** in the South or Southwest Regions after January 1, 2023, if the units meet the following requirements:

- 1 If the model is discontinued by Tempstar, the least efficient coil-only SEER rating, as listed on the EnergyGuide label, must be greater than or equal to the following:

< 45,000 Btu	≥ 45,000 Btu
15.0 SEER	14.5 SEER
If the EnergyGuide label includes a range for the least efficient SEER rating, the lower SEER rating should be used	
SEER ratings sourced from Federal Register Vol. 82, No. 4, page 1615	

- 2 If the model will continue to be sold by Tempstar after January 1, 2023, existing inventory can be sold if its EnergyGuide label shows a least efficient SEER rating that meets the requirements in the table above and the active published SEER2 rating exceeds 14.3.

Note: Tempstar is updating EnergyGuide labels on these products before the compliance date to minimize the amount of inventory that carries over into 2023 with Appendix M EnergyGuide labels.

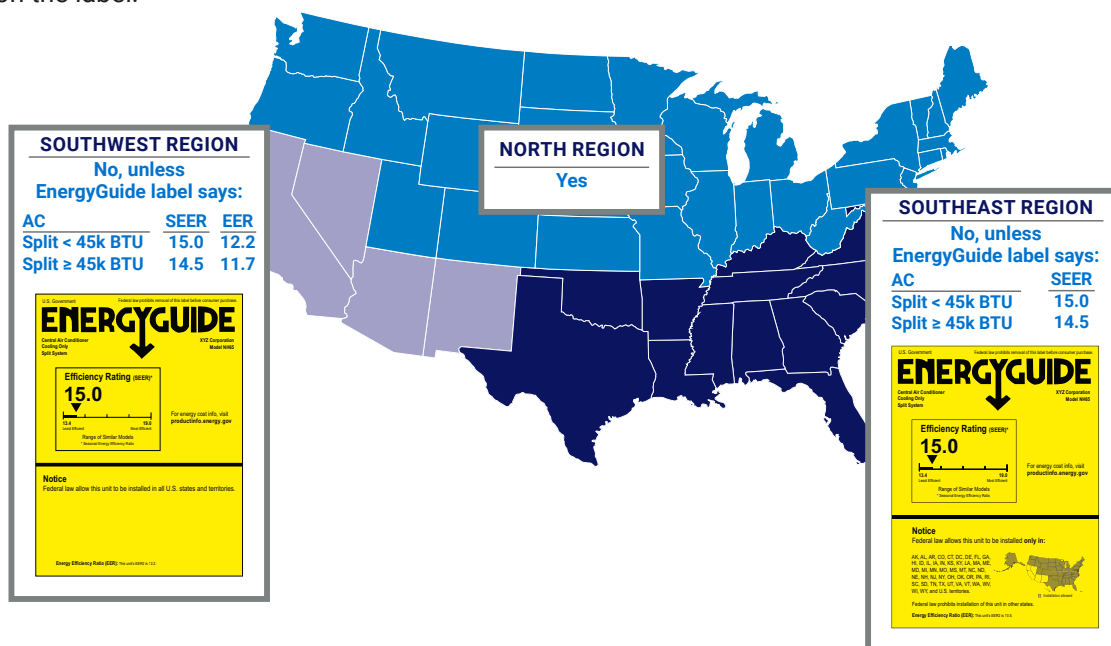
- 3 In the Southwest region, the equipment must also meet the following EER requirements:

> 15.0 but < 16.0 SEER		≥ 16.0 SEER
< 45,000 Btu 12.2 EER	≥ 45,000 Btu 11.7 EER	10.2 EER



Can I install an air conditioner that was manufactured before 2023 after the January 1, 2023, deadline? _____

The chart below will help you get your answer depending on the region where your business is located. Check the EnergyGuide labels on your current air conditioner inventory against this chart and be sure to look for the lowest coil-only SEER rating on the label.



Existing Model Sell Through Eligibility in the South _____

		Pre-2023 Model	Installation After January 1, 2023		
		Tempstar	Southeast	Southwest	North
Deluxe	TVA9**	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes
	TCA7	No	No	No	Yes
	TSA6	No	No	No	Yes
	TSA5	No	No	No	Yes
Mid	N4A7	No	No	No	Yes
	NH4A4	No	No	No	Yes
	N4A6	No	No	No	Yes
	NXA6	No	No	No	Yes
	N4A5	No	No	No	Yes
	N4A4	No	No	No	Yes
	NXA4	No	No	No	Yes
R-Series	N4A3	No	No	No	Yes
	R4A5	No	No	No	Yes
	R4A4	No	No	No	Yes
	R4A3	No	No	No	Yes

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** Odd sizes qualify for the SW; Even sizes qualify for the SE and N.

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