

Green Home and Energy Efficiency Checklist

Water Conservation

- Energy efficient water heater
- Tankless or solar water heater
- Water heater is old or needs to be drained
- Energy efficient washing machine
- Energy efficient dish washer
- Dual flush high-efficiency toilets
- Low-flow sink and shower faucets
- Faucet aerators
- Faucet leaks or drips
- Hot water pipe insulation
- Sweating or leaks around toilets
- Reclaimed or harvested water

Windows and Doors

- Windows are energy efficient and provide natural lighting during daylight hours
- Skylights and Sun Tunnels to provide additional natural lighting
- Windows and doorframes caulked and weather-stripped
- Windows made of double pane glass
- High performance insulated doors
- High quality window frames - wood, vinyl, composite, and fiberglass frames offer the best insulating value
- Exterior doors insulated and weather-stripped

Insulation and Dampers

- Insulation is high efficiency and located throughout all walls, ceiling and attic
- Lighting and appliances are Energy Star rated
- Outlets, fixtures, and switch plates properly insulated
- Fireplace damper fits tightly (cannot see light or a gap around the closed damper)
- Kitchen, bath, and laundry exhaust fans have positive-closure dampers

Electricity

- Solar panels

Cabinetry

- Green certified cabinet provides lower VOC emissions for better air quality and less impact on the environment

Heating and Cooling

- Heating systems are energy efficient and sealed
- Well ventilated attic space with solar powered vent fans
- High-efficiency air filters

Lighting

- Replace incandescent bulbs with CFL (compact fluorescent) light bulbs or LED light bulbs

Cleaning and Maintenance

- Refrigerator coils
- Furnace filters
- A/C filters
- Obstructions at A/C condenser
- Ducts