



MOR-EV

Massachusetts Offers Rebates
for Electric Vehicles

Frequently Asked Questions

Eligibility

I bought an eligible vehicle before June 18, 2014. Can I get a rebate?

No, the vehicle purchase or lease date must be on or after June 18, 2014. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has identified the program start date (June 18, 2014) as the official eligibility date in order to measure the impact of the MOR-EV program on electric vehicle adoption in the state.

Can I purchase an eligible vehicle out of state?

Yes. Eligible vehicles can be purchased outside the state of Massachusetts, but must be registered with the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) first and not be previously registered in any other state.

Who can apply for a rebate?

Private individuals only. Businesses, fleets or other entities are not eligible.

When can I apply?

Within three months after taking possession of an eligible vehicle.

What are the vehicle requirements?

- The vehicle must be new and manufactured by the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or its authorized licensee
- The vehicle must be on the list of Eligible Vehicles on the date of purchase or lease
- Zero-emission motorcycles (ZEMs) must meet the definitions required in the MOR-EV Program Implementation Manual

Application process

What are the applicant requirements?

Applicants must:

- Be a Massachusetts resident
- Be a purchaser or lessee of a new eligible vehicle and submit a MOR-EV application within 3 months of the vehicle purchase or lease date and prior to exhaustion of available rebate funds
- Purchase or lease an eligible vehicle before applying for a rebate. Vehicle purchase or lease date must be on or after start of program on June 18, 2014. Minimum lease terms of 36 months are required.
- Retain ownership of the vehicle for a minimum of 36 consecutive months immediately after the vehicle purchase or lease date
- Register the new vehicle with the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles for a minimum of 36 consecutive months for use in Massachusetts

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When will I receive my rebate check?

Within 75 calendar days of your application approval.

What supporting documents are needed?

- A submitted application signed by the vehicle purchaser, lessee or authorized representative
- A copy of the Massachusetts registration certificate for the vehicle
- A copy of the final sales or lease contract with an itemization of credits, discounts and incentives received, if applicable
- A copy of a Massachusetts driver's license or other valid form of Massachusetts residency as approved by the Administrator

Rebate amounts

What determines the different rebate amounts?

Vehicle type, base manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP) and battery capacity.

- \$1,500 rebates are available for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles and electric vehicles with less than a 10KWh electrochemical energy storage capacity (e.g., battery or fuel cell)
- \$2,500 rebates are available for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles and battery electric vehicles with more than a 10KWh electrochemical energy storage capacity
- \$1,000 rebates are available for vehicles with a base MSRP equal to or greater than \$60,000

Federal tax credit

How does the federal tax credit work?

Federal tax credits of up to \$7,500 are available based on vehicle battery capacity. Consumers purchasing eligible vehicles receive the tax credit directly and can apply the credit the following tax season. Lessees typically receive the credit toward the monthly lease payment amount. Visit www.fueleconomy.gov for details on the program. Discuss the credit with your accountant or tax adviser.

EV charging

Where will I plug in my electric vehicle?

Most people charge their electric vehicles at home or at work, either through a standard 120-volt outlet (Level 1 charging), or a 240-volt outlet (Level 2 charging). Websites such as plugshare.com list public charging station locations.

How long does it take to charge?

Charging time varies depending on your battery capacity and charging level (Level 1, Level 2, DC Fast Charge) used. For instance, a fully drained 24 kilowatt-hour battery will take 30 minutes to charge to 80% at a DC Fast Charge level.

How much does it cost to charge an electric vehicle?

It depends on how much you're paying for electricity and the size of your battery but is half the cost of gasoline. In Massachusetts, a gallon of gas is roughly twice as much as the electric "egallon" equivalent. More about egallons can be found at www.energy.gov/egallon.

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