

ENERGY UPGRADE SCHEME AVAILABLE WITH THE FUEL ALLOWANCE



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Did you know that you can qualify for a free energy upgrade to your home if you are in receipt of a Fuel Allowance?

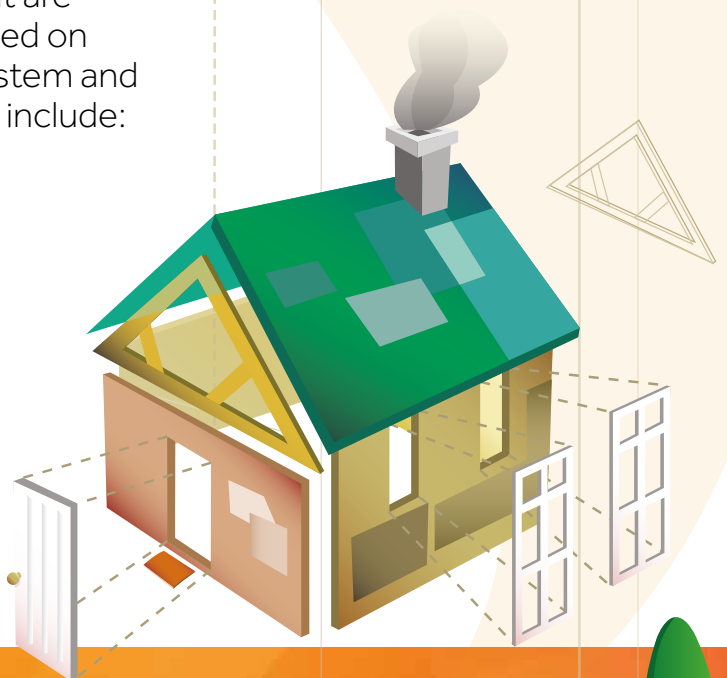
The Fully Funded Energy Upgrades scheme (formerly known as the Warmer Homes scheme) is a service operated by the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI). They deliver fully funded energy upgrades to homeowners who receive certain social welfare payments.

If you qualify for the scheme the SEAI can help to make your home warmer, healthier and cheaper to run.

What does it cover?

An SEAI surveyor will recommend upgrades that are suitable for a qualifying home. These will be based on factors such as its age, size, existing heating system and condition. Upgrades offered under the scheme include:

- ⇒ Attic insulation
- ⇒ Cavity wall insulation
- ⇒ External wall insulation
- ⇒ Internal wall insulation
- ⇒ Secondary work such as lagging jackets, draught proofing and energy efficient lighting
- ⇒ New heating systems and windows are occasionally recommended.



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Who is eligible?

To qualify you must own and live in your own home and that home must have been built and occupied before 2006.

You must also be in receipt of the Fuel Allowance or a Carers Allowance while living with the person you are caring for.

How does it work?

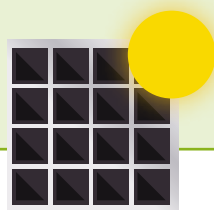
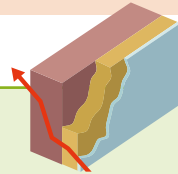
The service is delivered and co-ordinated by the SEAI as mentioned above.

1. You apply to SEAI who check to see if you qualify
2. If you are eligible, an SEAI surveyor surveys your home to make upgrade recommendations
3. A contractor is appointed from SEAI's

panel to carry out the upgrade works

4. After the works are completed an SEAI energy assessment team will carry out a BER assessment. There may also be quality inspections.

Note - the SEAI has indicated that their scheme is currently taking 24 months from application to completion of works



How to apply

Contact SEAI by

phone at 01 808 2005

or by email at

[warmerhomes@seai.ie](mailto:warmehomes@seai.ie)

You will need to:

1. Complete an application form and, if relevant, the Carers Allowance Confirmation Form
2. Have the Department of Social Protection complete the relevant section of that Application Form
3. Post your completed application to the SEAI. I would recommend by Registered Post to track delivery of your documentation.

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