

# Delaware Clean Vehicle Rebate Program: Vehicle Eligibility

## New Vehicle Eligibility

This program provides rebates for the purchase or lease of new plug-in electric, dedicated propane and dedicated compressed natural gas vehicles purchased between July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. The Delaware Division of Energy and Climate reserves the right to extend this program if funds are available.

Electric vehicles must be listed as eligible for the [federal tax credit](#) (as of December 31, 2014) in order to qualify for the Delaware Clean Vehicle Rebate Program. In addition, only dedicated propane vehicles and dedicated compressed natural gas vehicles are eligible for this program. Dual-fueled/bi-fueled propane and compressed natural gas are not eligible.

## Electric Vehicle Eligibility

The following criteria must be met in order for an electric vehicle to qualify for a rebate.

- Two types of electric vehicles are accepted by the rebate program:
  - Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV) – these are vehicles that are powered by high-capacity batteries and do not require the assistance of an internal combustion engine. The Nissan Leaf is an example of a BEV.
  - Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEV) – these are vehicles use batteries in conjunction with an internal combustion engine. The Chevy Volt is an example of an eligible PHEV.
- The vehicle must utilize an external power source to recharge on-board rechargeable batteries which provide energy to an electric motor, which then powers the vehicle (the vehicle must be able to be plugged in).
- The vehicle must be equipped to plug into an external power source to charge the battery.
- The vehicle must be propelled by an electric motor that draws electricity from a battery that has a capacity of no less than 4 kilowatt hours.
- The vehicle must have a maximum speed capability of at least 55 miles per hour.
- The vehicle must be designed and intended primarily for use on public highways, streets, and roads.
- For a list of electric vehicles that qualify for this rebate, please visit [FuelEconomy.gov](http://FuelEconomy.gov).
- The vehicle must be capable of passing the Delaware Department of Motor Vehicles Inspection.
- The vehicle must be titled and registered in Delaware.
- The vehicle must be for the use of the applicant, and not for resale purposes.
- If the vehicle is leased, the lease terms must be for NO LESS THAN 36 months/3 years.
- Vehicles must have a gross vehicle weight rating of less than (<) 26,000lbs.

## Leasing an Electric Vehicle

- Leased vehicles (classes 1-6) are eligible for the Delaware Clean Transportation Incentive Program.
- Rebates for leased electric vehicles (both plug-hybrid and battery electric) are \$2,200
- To obtain a rebate for a leased vehicle, purchasers must submit the terms of the lease program for the car. The lease terms must be NO LESS THAN 36 months/ 3 years to qualify.
- All lease documentation must be approved and signed off by a dealer to qualify.
- Please contact a dealer for details, vehicles available for lease, and information on leasing options.

## **Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and Propane Vehicle Eligibility**

- The vehicle must be propelled by a dedicated compressed natural gas (CNG) or propane engine. Dual-fueled/bi-fueled propane and CNG vehicles do not qualify for this rebate.
- The vehicle must have a dedicated fuel engine (i.e. dedicated CNG or dedicated propane).
- The vehicle must have a maximum speed capability of at least 55 miles per hour.
- The vehicle must be designed and intended primarily for use on public highways, streets, and roads.
- The vehicle must be capable of passing the Delaware Department of Motor Vehicles Inspection.
- The vehicle must be titled and registered in Delaware.
- The vehicle must be for the use of the applicant, and not for resale purposes.
- If the vehicle is leased, the lease terms must be for NO LESS THAN 36 months/3 years.
- Vehicles must have a gross vehicle weight rating of less than (<) 26,000lbs.

## **Leasing a Compressed Natural Gas or Propane Vehicle**

- Leased vehicles (classes 1-6) are eligible for the Delaware Clean Transportation Incentive Program.
- Rebates for leased dedicated propane or natural gas vehicles are \$1,100.
- To obtain a rebate for a leased vehicle, purchasers must submit the terms of the lease program for the car. The lease terms must be NO LESS THAN 36 months/ 3 years to qualify.
- All lease documentation must be approved and signed off by the dealer to qualify.
- Please contact a dealer for details, vehicle available for lease, and information on the leasing options.

## **Retrofitted Vehicle Eligibility**

### **Electric Vehicle Eligibility**

The program provides rebates for electric vehicle retrofits completed between July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. The program will provide \$1,100 for the retrofit of an internal combustion engine into a plug-in electric vehicle completed by a qualified Delaware retrofitter. Home retrofits will not be accepted in the rebate program. For a list of DNREC approved retrofitters visit <http://www.autoportinc.com/> or email [DNREC.Transportation@state.de.us](mailto:DNREC.Transportation@state.de.us).

The following criteria must be met in order for an electric vehicle to qualify for a rebate:

- The vehicle to be retrofitted must have an existing internal combustion engine being retrofitted to a dedicated electric engine.
- The conversion system must be certified or approved by either the U.S. EPA or California Air Resources Board (CARB) for that particular make, model, model year, and engine type. Conversions that are not certified or approved by U.S. EPA or CARB for the particular vehicle are not eligible for this program.
- The vehicle retrofit must be performed by a qualified Delaware retrofitter that has been approved the Division of Energy and Climate.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be propelled by an electric motor that draws electricity from a battery that has a capacity of not less than 4 kilowatt hours.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be capable of being recharged from an external source of electricity.
- The retrofitted vehicle must have a maximum speed capability of at least 55 miles per hour.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be designed and intended primarily for use on public highways, streets, and roads.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be capable of passing the Delaware Department of Motor Vehicles Inspection.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be titled and registered in Delaware.

- The vehicle must be retrofitted for the use of the applicant, and not for resale purposes.
- Vehicles must have a gross vehicle weight rating of less than (<) 26,000lbs

### **Propane (LPG) Vehicle Eligibility**

The program will provide \$1,100 for the retrofit of an internal combustion engine into a propane (LPG) vehicle completed by a qualified Delaware retrofitter. Home retrofits will not be accepted in the rebate program. For a list of DNREC approved retrofitters, please email [DNREC.Transportation@state.de.us](mailto:DNREC.Transportation@state.de.us). The program provides rebates for retrofits completed between July 16<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

The following criteria must be met in order for a propane vehicle to qualify for a rebate:

- The vehicle to be retrofitted must have an existing internal combustion engine being retrofitted to a dedicated propane fueled engine.
- The conversion system must be certified or approved by either the U.S. EPA or California Air Resources Board (CARB) for that particular make, model, model year, and engine type. Conversions that are not certified or approved by U.S. EPA or CARB for your particular vehicle are not eligible for this program.
- The vehicle retrofit must be performed by a qualified Delaware retrofitter that has been approved the Division of Energy and Climate.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be designed and intended primarily for use on public highways, streets, and roads.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be capable of passing the Delaware Department of Motor Vehicles Inspection.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be titled and registered in Delaware.
- The vehicle must be retrofitted for the use of the applicant, and not for resale purposes.
- Vehicles must have a gross vehicle weight rating of less than (<) 26,000lbs.

### **Retrofitted Compressed Natural Gas Vehicles Eligibility**

The program will provide \$1,100 for the retrofit of an internal combustion engine into a compressed natural gas vehicle completed by a qualified Delaware retrofitter. Home retrofits will not be accepted in the rebate program. For a list of DNREC approved retrofitters, please email [DNREC.Transportation@state.de.us](mailto:DNREC.Transportation@state.de.us). The program provides rebates for retrofits completed between July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

The following criteria must be met in order for a compressed natural gas vehicle to qualify for a rebate:

- The vehicle to be retrofitted must have an existing internal combustion engine being retrofitted to a dedicated CNG fueled engine.
- The conversion system must be certified or approved by either the U.S. EPA or California Air Resources Board (CARB) for that particular make, model, model year, and engine type. Conversions that are not certified or approved by U.S. EPA or CARB for your particular vehicle are not eligible for this program.
- The vehicle retrofit must be performed by a qualified Delaware retrofitter that has been approved the Division of Energy and Climate.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be designed and intended primarily for use on public highways, streets, and roads.
- The retrofitted vehicle must be capable of passing the Delaware Department of Motor Vehicles Inspection.

- The retrofitted vehicle must be titled and registered in Delaware.
- The vehicle must be retrofitted for the use of the applicant, and not for resale purposes.
- Vehicles must have a gross vehicle weight rating of less than (<) 26,000lbs.