Homeowner

# CMHC Eco Plus



### Helping make energyefficient and low carbon housing choices more affordable

CMHC Eco Plus offers a partial premium refund of 25% directly to borrowers who either buy or build climate-friendly housing using CMHC-insured financing.

For more information, please visit <u>cmhc.ca/mliproducts</u> or call **1-888 GO emili** (1-888-463-6454).

### **Highlights**



#### Partial Premium Refund of 25%

Applications are accepted from the borrower within 2 years of the closing date of the mortgage.

The supporting documentation must be no more than 5 years old as at the closing date of the mortgage.

Supporting documentation may be used by a subsequent purchaser.

Please visit <u>cmhc.ca/ecoplus</u> to obtain information on how to apply for a refund.



## Energy Efficiency/Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions

A premium refund is available based on the level of energy efficiency/GHG emissions achieved for the following:

Purchase of new or existing housing, including residential condominium units in low rise buildings

Homes built under a CMHC- eligible certification automatically qualify for a premium refund.

For all other homes, eligibility is assessed using the NRCan EnerGuide Rating System, either by GHG emissions or energy efficiency.





# Purchase of new or existing residential condominium units in high rise buildings

Buildings built under a CMHC-eligible certification automatically qualify for a premium refund.

For additional information on qualifying requirements and an updated list of CMHC-eligible certifications, visit cmhc.ca/ecoplus.

The back page contains eligibility requirements applicable to this product.



## Eligibility Requirements

	Homeowner Loans (owner-occupied) <sup>1</sup>	Small Rental Loans (non-owner occupied)
Loan-to-Value (LTV) Ratio	1 – 2 units: up to 95% LTV 3 – 4 units: up to 90% LTV	Up to 80% LTV 2 – 4 units
Minimum Equity Requirement	1 – 2 units: 5% of the first \$500,000 of the lending value and 10% of the remainder of the lending value. 3 – 4 units: 10%	20%
Purchase Price / Lending Value	The maximum purchase price / lending value or as-improved property value must be below \$1,000,000.	
Amortization	The maximum amortization period is 25 years.	
Location	The property must be located in Canada, be suitable and available for full time / year round occupancy and have year round access including homes located on an island (via a vehicular bridge or ferry).	
Down payment	The down payment can come from sources such as savings, sale of a property, or a non-repayable financial gift from a relative.	
Creditworthiness	<ul> <li>At least one borrower (or guarantor) must have a minimum credit score of 600.</li> <li>CMHC may consider alternative methods of establishing creditworthiness for borrowers without a credit history. Examples of borrowers without a credit history could include newcomers to Canada, or recent graduates.</li> </ul>	
Debt Service	Maximum threshold: GDS 39% / TDS 44%.	
Interest Rate	<ul> <li>The GDS and TDS ratios must be calculated using an interest rate which is the greater of the contract interest rate plus 2 per cent, or 5.25 per cent.</li> <li>Fixed, capped and standard variable, and adjustable.</li> </ul>	
Advancing options	<ul> <li>Single advances: improvement costs ≤ 10% of the as-improved value.</li> <li>Progress advances: new construction financing or improvement costs &gt; 10% of the as-improved value.</li> <li>Full Service: CMHC validation of advances for up to 4 consecutive advances at no cost.</li> <li>Basic Service: Lender validation of advances without pre-approval from CMHC.</li> </ul>	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  CMHC-insured financing is available for one property per borrower/co-borrower at any given time.