Future-proof Warmth from Nature: Support Programme for Heat Pumps in Switzerland



Replace your old oil or gas heating unit by an efficient heat pump and save your discount! Heat pumps use the natural energy sources of air, earth or water to heat the house - sustainably and without the use of oil or gas. Picture: FWS

The support programme for heat pumps of myclimate supports homeowners with a subsidy ranging from 2’000 to 10’000 CHF if they replace their old oil or gas heating system with an energy efficient heat pump with an output of up to 15 kW. Another support programme promotes heat pumps with outputs between 15 and 400 kW in residential rental properties.

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Although the installation of a heat pump would be feasible and much more climate-friendly in most cases, two thirds of all home owners in Switzerland continue to opt for a new oil or gas heating system

The main reason why many homeowners nevertheless do not choose a heat pump is probably the comparatively higher investment costs. However, it is often forgotten that the running costs for electricity and maintenance are significantly lower with a heat pump. The costs for oil or gas are completely omitted and so is the uncertainty, which so far accompanied the price development of the oil and gas prices. Therefore, the heat pump is a future-oriented and sustainable heating solution. Per installed heat pump, around 2000 litres of heating oil or 2000 cubic metres of natural gas are saved annually. With this step, every private household can contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Project type:
Energy Efficiency

Project location:
Switzerland

Project status:
In operation, exclusive

Annual CO_2 reduction:
2,700 t

Situation without project
64% of all oil and gas units are being replaced by an other fossil heating unitg

Project standard

FOEN/SFOE

Partner

WPSYSTEMMODUL
EFFIZIENTE WÄRMEPUMPEN MIT SYSTEM

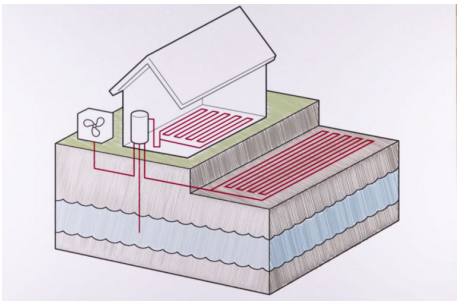
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Impressions

Secure your subsidy contribution for your heat pump

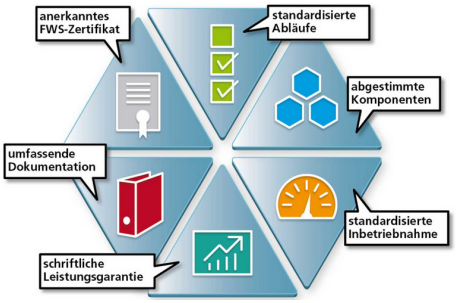
Are you a homeowner and would you like to replace your old oil or gas heating soon? myclimate calculates the amount of the subsidy for the heat pump after successful registration based on past annual energy consumption (0.18 CHF/kWh), whereas the subsidy amounts to at least CHF 2'000. The funding calculator offers you an initial estimate. With the subsidy, we would like to remove investment barriers and make it easier for you to decide on a heat pump and protect the climate.



Heat pumps use the natural energy sources – sustainable and without using fossil fuels. Picture: EnergieSchweiz

Register now!

Send us the completed registration form today! We support heat pumps up to 15kW thermal heating capacity, which replace a heating system using fuel oil or natural gas and which do not qualify for any state subsidy. Please visit the Energiefranken website to check whether you can receive a state subsidy. The subsidy in the myclimate funding programme is only valid for the replacement of oil or natural gas heating systems. Electric heating systems and other types of heating are excluded from the programme.



A heat pump with WPS modul guarantees highest quality: a high level of energy efficiency and optimum processes. Picture: FWS

The procedure of the subsidy program is as follows (details can be found in the application form):

1. Complete, sign and submit the registration form together with receipts for fuel consumption to myclimate **before awarding the contract to the installer**.
2. After myclimate has provisionally approved the funding, award the contract to the installer by the end of june 2023 at the latest and let the heat pump install by 31.12.2024. The installer then submits the documents for certification to the Swiss Heat Pump Association.
3. myclimate receives the certificate (“Anlagezertifikat”) directly from the Swiss Heat Pump Association and initiates the payment (confirmed via email to the homeowner).

High Quality thanks to a Quality Standard

In order to guarantee the quality of the programme, only those heat pump systems developed in accordance with the quality standard Heat Pump System Module (HP System Module) will receive a subsidy. This standard was developed by the Swiss Heat Pump Association FWS and guarantees high energy efficiency and optimal processes. According to a study by SwissEnergy (EnergieSchweiz), this leads to an annual reduction of electricity costs by approx. 15 per cent. Generally, the additional expenditures for a HPSM pay off within a few years due to the lower operating costs of the heating system (lower electricity consumption) and fewer service visits.

In principle, any heating installation company with trained specialists can plan and install heat pump systems according to HP-system module. You can refer to the list of qualified installers or contact an installer directly. Interested installers will find further information here.

By the way: If you obtain the electricity for your heat pump from

renewable energy sources, the environmental footprint of the heat pump is even better.

Notes regarding sustainable renovations

While the following points are not participation criteria for the support programme, we nevertheless strongly suggest that they be taken into consideration:

- Natural refrigerants: So-called natural refrigerants are a new trend as they have little to no greenhouse gas potential if they happen to escape. These include carbon dioxide (R744, CO_2), hydrocarbons (propane R290, isobutane R600a) and ammonia (R717, NH_3). A list with efficient heat pumps and their refrigerants can be found under topten.ch. You often have to explicitly ask the company whether the device or system is offered with a natural refrigerant.
- Renovating the building shell: Prior or simultaneous renovation of the building shell is recommendable when replacing your heater. The new heating system can be smaller because of this and the running costs can be decreased.

Where does the funding come from?

This climate protection programme has been made possible thanks to funding from the KliK Foundation. Go to our Info page to learn how the funding mechanism works for mandatory contributions to climate protection.

Contact

Do you have any questions? Please do not hesitate to contact us, Tel. +41 44 500 43 50.

Please refer to topten.ch for the most efficient WPSM-certified heat pumps.

Did you know that...?

Thanks to participation in the funding programme for heat pumps, you...

- receive a subsidy ranging from 2’000 to 10’000 CHF when replacing an old oil or natural gas heating.
- install a high quality heat pump system, which is 15% more energy efficient than a plant without heat pump system module and thus reduces maintenance costs.
- reduce the CO_2 output of your heating system.
- contribute to climate action and engage for future generations.

This project contributes to 2 SDGs (as of end 2022):

Find out how myclimate reports these SDGs in our FAQ.



1,100 heat pumps funded.



3,024,698 litres of heating oil and 336,489 cubic metres of natural gas saved.