

Advisors Toolkit

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Energy Companies Obligation (ECO)

The Energy Company Obligation (ECO4) is an energy efficiency scheme in Scotland that provides government-backed grant funding for energy-saving measures in the home. The government has obligated the larger energy companies to put money aside for the scheme. Eligible Scottish homeowners and private tenants who are deemed to live in fuel poverty can claim a 100% non-repayable grant to improve the energy efficiency of their home.

ECO4 grants in Scotland will run until March 2026. Under the grant scheme, energy suppliers are required to provide grants for energy-saving measures in three categories: heating, insulation, and low-carbon technologies. This can include things like cavity wall insulation, solid wall insulation, solar panels and heat pumps.

Contact your supplier for details on ECO4

Home Heating Cost Reduction (HHCRO) Obligation

Under the Home Heating Cost Reduction Obligation (HHCRO), obligated suppliers must promote measures which improve the ability of low income and vulnerable households to heat their homes.

The HHCRO (aka Affordable Warmth) provides heating/hot water saving measures and insulation, glazing and some micro-generation technologies.

A full list of those eligible for support is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/energy-company-obligation>

For more information on ECO, including a full list of measures available under each strand of ECO visit:

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/environmental-programmes/eco/support-improving-your-home/faqs-domestic-consumers> or contact Home Energy Scotland on **0808 808 2282**.

See also Factsheet 4.a HEEPS