



Commercial Induction Rebate

East Bay Community Energy (EBCE) is proud to offer a rebate to help our nonresidential customers make the transition from gas to electric induction in their commercial kitchens.

What is induction cooking?

Induction cooktops heat the pan instantly and deliver twice the thermal efficiency of gas cooktops. They also eliminate the carbon monoxide and other toxins emitted by gas stoves. Learn more about how induction cooking works at ebce.org/induction.

Rebate program overview and eligibility

Rebates are available on a first-come first-serve basis until funds are exhausted. In order to receive a rebate upon project completion, applicants must reserve funds in advance. Funding is available for both new construction¹ and retrofit projects for customers enrolled in EBCE service. Applicants are able to apply to install multiple induction units with maximum rebates for total equipment costs outlined below. Exceptions to eligibility will be made on a case-by-case basis pending funding availability.

Rebate Steps

1. **Apply** to reserve rebate funds at ebce.org/commercial-kitchens
2. **Receive** eligibility confirmation
3. **Install** equipment
4. **Submit** proof of install
5. **Receive** rebate

Interested applicants may direct questions related to this rebate to ncordoba@ebce.org or visit ebce.org/commercial-kitchens to apply.

ELIGIBLE EQUIPMENT	REBATE AMOUNT
ELECTRIC INDUCTION RANGE (NO HYBRID) OR COOKTOP Must be national lab certified (UL Listed or NSF/ETL/CSA Certified)	Up to \$15,000 equipment costs ² (first 5 applicants)
	Up to \$7,500 equipment costs ² for remainder
	Up to \$2,500 for electrical/wiring equipment and material costs for retrofit projects
PORTABLE COUNTERTOP INDUCTION COOKTOP Must be national lab certified (UL Listed or NSF/ETL/CSA Certified)	Up to \$400 per unit (max 2 per site)

Business Microloans

We have partnered with Mission Asset Fund and Bay Area Regional Energy Network to offer no-interest loans up to \$2,500 for induction range/cooktop installations.

Visit missionassetfund.org/bayren for details.



SUBMIT THE REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS FOR ELIGIBILITY

FOR A RANGE/ COOKTOP REBATE

Photo(s) of existing natural gas appliance (for retrofit projects).

Photo(s) of new induction appliance and (for retrofit projects) capped gas line(s) that fed the original appliance.

Invoice outlining work performed (including proof of required permits) and equipment installed. Invoice must outline equipment and necessary non-electrical installation materials to be included in rebate.

If requesting electrical/wiring rebate, invoice outlining electrical equipment & materials purchased and installed.

FOR PORTABLE COOKTOP REBATE(S)

Purchase receipt showing eligible cooktop.

Photo of induction unit in your commercial kitchen.

Frequently asked questions

What is the difference between an induction range and an induction cooktop?

A standalone cooktop includes only induction cooking elements and no oven. Cooktop only models oftentimes drop into holes in countertops cut to their dimensions. An induction range includes an induction cooktop with electric oven(s).

Is this rebate eligible for self-installed projects?

Projects installed by a third-party-certified contractor are preferred for most applicants. Applicants with qualified maintenance/facilities staff may be permitted to complete installation of equipment. If electrical upgrades are required, a certified electrician must be the one to complete the work.

If I don't have the upfront capital to pay for project expenses, can I still apply?

EBCE has partnered with BayREN and Mission Asset Fund to expand eligibility for their **Business Microloans** to include induction appliances. Through this program, no-interest loans are available up to \$2,500 for energy saving lighting and appliance upgrades for applicants in the nine bay area counties, including Alameda County. Applicants are encouraged to note interest in this loan program on their rebate application.

What if my building requires additional electrical upgrades to support an electric range/cooktop?

An electric induction cooktop commonly requires 40 or 50 amps of dedicated capacity on a service panel. Additionally, installing an electric appliance where

a gas once existed may require you to run electrical within range of the new appliance. If you do not have sufficient capacity on your service panel, you may need to upgrade it to increase the capacity. To help alleviate this financial burden, each applicant installing a retrofit induction range/cooktop is eligible for up to \$2,500 in rebate towards necessary electrical upgrade equipment and materials associated with this project.

Do I have to cap off my existing gas line when switching to an induction appliance?

In order to be eligible for a rebate for retrofit projects, the gas line that fed the existing natural gas appliance must be capped. This is for the gas line to the appliance only, not the entire building itself. Exceptions to this requirement may be made on a case by case basis.

1. New construction projects are not eligible in Oakland and Berkeley where local ordinances require all-electric construction.

2. Equipment costs include installed equipment and necessary materials. Electrical service or capacity improvements are not covered under this amount.



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