



Leading the Way to a Brighter Future

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Emergency Exit Signs

Because of limited operating hours, Efficiency Maine does not typically provide incentives for emergency lighting. The one exception is for emergency exit signs that are continuously illuminated. Until recently, the standard exit sign used two 15-25 watt incandescent lamps. The signs consumed considerable energy and when the lamps burned out they were often forgotten, presenting a safety hazard and a legal liability issue.


Today, the standard exit sign is illuminated with light emitting diodes (LEDs). These solid state “lamps” consume only a few watts of energy and have expected operating lives of 20 years or more. They also save on the labor of replacing them and keep you in compliance with “fire code.”

Incentive for LED Exit Signs

Efficiency Maine offers incentives for the following emergency exit sign measure:

Measure Code X10 – New LED Exit Signs

Measure X10 is for the installation of new LED exit signs to replace existing incandescent or fluorescent exit signs. Because LED exit signs are now standard practice for new construction, incentives are now available for retrofit applications.

Measure	Code	Eligible Installations	Unit Incentive	Eligibility Criteria
 LED Exit Signs	X10	LED Exit Signs Retrofit Only	\$10 per Sign	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signs may be one or two sided • Signs must replace an existing incandescent or fluorescent exit sign