



# ENERGY STAR® Program Requirements Product Specification for Computers

## Eligibility Criteria Draft 2, Version 7.0

1 Following is the **Draft 2, Version 7.0** ENERGY STAR Product Specification for Computers. A product  
2 shall meet all of the identified criteria if it is to earn the ENERGY STAR.

### 3 **1 DEFINITIONS**

#### 4 A) Product Types:

- 5 1) Computer: A device which performs logical operations and processes data. For the purposes of  
6 this specification, computers include both stationary and portable units, including Desktop  
7 Computers, Integrated Desktop Computers, Notebook Computers, Small-Scale Servers, Thin  
8 Clients, and Workstations. Although computers are capable of using input devices and displays,  
9 such devices are not required to be included with the computer upon shipment. Computers are  
10 composed of, at a minimum:
  - 11 a) A central processing unit (CPU) to perform operations. If no CPU is present, then the device  
12 must function as a client gateway to a server which acts as a computational CPU;
  - 13 b) User input devices such as a keyboard, mouse, or touchpad; and
  - 14 c) An Integrated Display screen and/or the ability to support an external display screen to output  
15 information.
- 16 2) Desktop Computer: A computer whose main unit is designed to be located in a permanent  
17 location, often on a desk or on the floor. Desktop computers are not designed for portability and  
18 are designed for use with an external display, keyboard, and mouse. Desktop computers are  
19 intended for a broad range of home and office applications, including point of sale applications.
  - 20 a) Integrated Desktop Computer: A Desktop Computer in which the computing hardware and  
21 display are integrated into a single housing, and which is connected to ac mains power  
22 through a single cable. Integrated Desktop Computers come in one of two possible forms: (1)  
23 a system where the display and computer are physically combined into a single unit; or (2) a  
24 system packaged as a single system where the display is separate but is connected to the  
25 main chassis by a dc power cord and both the computer and display are powered from a  
26 single power supply. As a subset of Desktop Computers, Integrated Desktop Computers are  
27 typically designed to provide similar functionality as Desktop systems.
- 28 3) Notebook Computer: A computer designed specifically for portability and to be operated for  
29 extended periods of time both with and without a direct connection to an ac mains power source.  
30 Notebook Computers include an Integrated Display, a non-detachable, mechanical keyboard  
31 (using physical, moveable keys), and pointing device.
  - 32 a) Mobile Thin Client: A computer meeting the definition of a Thin Client, designed specifically  
33 for portability, and also meeting the definition of a Notebook Computer. These products are  
34 considered to be Notebook Computers for the purposes of this specification.
  - 35 b) Two-In-One Notebook: A computer which resembles a traditional Notebook Computer with a  
36 clam shell form factor, but has a detachable display which can act as an independent  
37 Slate/Tablet when disconnected. The keyboard and display portions of the product must be  
38 shipped as an integrated unit. Two-In-One Notebooks are considered Notebooks in the  
39 remainder of this specification and are therefore not referenced explicitly.
- 40 4) Slate/Tablet: A computing device designed for portability that meets all of the following criteria:

- 41 a) Includes an integrated display with a diagonal size greater than 6.5 inches and less than 17.4  
42 inches;
- 43 b) Lacking an integrated, physical attached keyboard in its as-shipped configuration;
- 44 c) Includes and primarily relies on touchscreen input; (with optional keyboard);
- 45 d) Includes and primarily relies on a wireless network connection (e.g., Wi-Fi, 3G, etc.); and
- 46 e) Includes and is primarily powered by an internal battery (with connection to the mains for  
47 battery charging, not primary powering of the device).
- 48 5) Portable All-In-One Computer: A computing device designed for portability that meets all of the  
49 following criteria:
- 50 a) Includes an integrated display with a diagonal size greater than or equal to 17.4 inches;
- 51 b) Lacking keyboard integrated into the physical housing of the product in its as-shipped  
52 configuration;
- 53 c) Includes and primarily relies on touchscreen input; (with optional keyboard);
- 54 d) Includes wireless network connection (e.g. Wi-Fi, 3G, etc.); and
- 55 e) Includes an internal battery

56 **Note:** EPA received feedback stating that the term “limited” was not defined and that there are products  
57 that can meet all the aspects of the definition but appear to have longer battery lifetimes than “limited”  
58 would suggest. EPA is proposing to adjust the definition to include products that have longer battery  
59 lifetimes, while still including the existing products that feature “limited” portability.

- 60 6) E-Reader: A device designed for display and consumption of static images. The display is  
61 characterized by a low refresh rate and a display made of bistable materials where no energy is  
62 needed to maintain a visible image, only to alter the image.
- 63 7) Small-scale Server: A computer that typically uses desktop components in a desktop form factor,  
64 but is designed primarily to be a storage host for other computers. Small-scale Servers are  
65 designed to perform functions such as providing network infrastructure services (e.g., archiving)  
66 and hosting data/media. These products are not designed to process information for other  
67 systems or run web servers as a primary function. A Small-scale Server has the following  
68 characteristics:
- 69 a) Designed in a pedestal, tower, or other form factor similar to those of desktop computers  
70 such that all data processing, storage, and network interfacing is contained within one  
71 box/product;
- 72 b) Designed to operate 24 hours/day, 7 days/week, with minimal unscheduled downtime (on the  
73 order of hours/year);
- 74 c) Capable of operating in a simultaneous multi-user environment serving several users through  
75 networked client units; and
- 76 d) Designed for an industry accepted operating system for home or low-end server applications  
77 (e.g., Windows Home Server, Mac OS X Server, Linux, UNIX, Solaris).
- 78 8) Thin Client: An independently-powered computer that relies on a connection to remote computing  
79 resources (e.g., computer server, remote workstation) to obtain primary functionality. Main  
80 computing functions (e.g., program execution, data storage, interaction with other Internet  
81 resources) are provided by the remote computing resources. Thin Clients covered by this  
82 specification are (1) limited to devices with no rotational storage media integral to the computer  
83 and (2) designed for use in a permanent location (e.g. on a desk) and not for portability.

- 84 a) Integrated Thin Client: A Thin Client in which computing hardware and display are  
85 connected to ac mains power through a single cable. Integrated Thin Client computers  
86 come in one of two possible forms: (1) a system where the display and computer are  
87 physically combined into a single unit; or (2) a system packaged as a single system  
88 where the display is separate but is connected to the main chassis by a dc power cord  
89 and both the computer and display are powered from a single power supply. As a subset  
90 of Thin Clients, Integrated Thin Clients are typically designed to provide similar  
91 functionality as Thin Client systems.
- 92 b) Ultra-thin Client: A computer with lesser local resources than a standard Thin Client that  
93 sends raw mouse and keyboard input to a remote computing resource and receives back  
94 raw video from the remote computing resource. Ultra-thin clients cannot interface with  
95 multiple devices simultaneously nor run windowed remote applications due to the lack of  
96 a user-discernible client operating system on the device (i.e., beneath firmware, user  
97 inaccessible).
- 98 9) Workstation: A high-performance, single-user computer typically used for graphics, CAD,  
99 software development, financial and scientific applications among other compute intensive tasks.  
100 Workstations covered by this specification (a) are marketed as a workstation; (b) do not support  
101 altering frequency or voltage beyond the CPU and GPU manufacturers' as shipped operating  
102 specifications; and (c) has system hardware that supports error-correcting code (ECC) that  
103 detects and corrects errors with dedicated circuitry on and across the CPU, interconnect, and  
104 system memory. In addition, a workstation meets two or more of the following criteria:
- 105 a) Supports one or more discrete GPU or discrete compute accelerators
- 106 b) Supports four or more lanes of PCI-express, other than discrete GPU, connected to  
107 accessory expansion slots or ports where each lane has a bandwidth of 8 gigabits per  
108 second (Gb/s) or more.
- 109 c) Provide multi-processor support for two or more physically separate processor packages or  
110 sockets. (this requirement cannot be met with support for a single multi-core processor);  
111 and/or
- 112 d) Certification by 2 or more Independent Software Vendor (ISV) product certifications; these  
113 certifications can be in process, but shall be completed within 3 months of certification.

114 **Note:** EPA received stakeholder feedback requesting that the workstation definition be harmonized with  
115 the CEC workstation definition. EPA has proposed some major revisions to the existing definition in Draft  
116 1 in order to more closely harmonize with the CEC workstation to allow greater flexibility in system design  
117 and account for newer technologies. With that said, EPA cannot adopt the CEC definition fully as EPA  
118 does not feel it sufficiently separates workstations from high end desktop computers for ENERGY STAR  
119 purposes. The proposed changes capture the essence of the CEC definition while ensuring that high end  
120 desktops will not be mistaken for a workstation in Version 7.0.

- 121 10) Rack-mounted Workstation: A workstation that is designed to be natively rack mounted as  
122 described in IEC 60297-3-101:2004. The rack-mounted workstation may be accessed locally by  
123 direct connection to the workstation and display or accessed remotely across a network by one or  
124 more users.
- 125 11) Mobile Workstation: A high-performance, single-user computer primarily used for graphics,  
126 computer-aided design (CAD), software development, financial, or scientific applications, among  
127 other computation intensive tasks, excluding game play, and that is designed specifically for  
128 portability and to be operated for extended periods of time either with or without a direct  
129 connection to an ac main. Mobile workstations utilize an integrated display and are capable of  
130 operation with an integrated battery. A mobile workstation may use an external power supply and  
131 have an integrated keyboard and pointing device. In addition, a mobile workstation must meet all  
132 of the following criteria:

- 133 a) Has a mean time between failures (MTBF) of at least 13,000 hours (based on either  
134 Bellcore TR-NWT-000332, issue 6, 12/97 or field collected data);
- 135 b) Certification by 2 or more Independent Software Vendor (ISV) product certifications;  
136 these certifications can be in process, but shall be completed within 3 months of  
137 certification;
- 138 c) Supports inclusion of three or more internal storage devices;
- 139 d) Supports at least 32 gigabytes of system memory; and
- 140 e) Supports either:
- 141 (1) At least one integrated or discrete GPU with frame buffer bandwidth of 96 gigabytes  
142 per second or greater; or
- 143 (2) A total of 4 gigabytes or more of system memory with a bandwidth of 134 gigabytes  
144 per second or greater and an integrated GPU.

145 **Note:** EPA received stakeholder feedback supporting a definition for mobile workstations, which are  
146 sufficiently different from high end notebooks that they warrant being defined separately. EPA is  
147 proposing the definition above, which largely harmonizes with the CEC definition for mobile workstations.

148 B) Product Category: A second-order classification or sub-type within a product type that is based on  
149 product features and installed components. Product categories are used in this specification to  
150 determine certification and test requirements.

151 C) Computer Components:

- 152 1) Graphics Processing Unit (GPU): An integrated circuit, separate from the CPU, designed to  
153 accelerate the rendering of either 2D and/or 3D content to displays. A GPU may be mated with a  
154 CPU, on the system board of the computer or elsewhere to offload display capabilities from the  
155 CPU.
- 156 2) Discrete Graphics (dGfx): A graphics processor (GPU) which must contain a local memory  
157 controller interface and local graphics-specific memory.

158 **Note:** EPA received stakeholder feedback indicating that the proposed change to the dGfx definition in  
159 Draft 1 could adversely impact future GPU packaging implementations which may allow additional  
160 efficiency improvements. As a result, EPA is proposing to revert to the previous version of the definition,  
161 but clarifying that in order to be considered dGfx, the GPU cannot share memory resources with the CPU.

- 162 3) Integrated Graphics (iGfx): A graphics solution that does not contain Discrete Graphics.
- 163 4) Display: A commercially-available product with a display screen and associated electronics, often  
164 encased in a single housing, that as its primary function displays visual information from (1) a  
165 computer, workstation or server via one or more inputs (e.g., VGA, DVI, HDMI, DisplayPort, IEEE  
166 1394, USB), (2) external storage (e.g., USB flash drive, memory card), or (3) a network  
167 connection.
- 168 a) Enhanced-performance Integrated Display: An integrated Computer Display that has all  
169 of the following features and functionalities:
- 170 (1) A contrast ratio of at least 60:1 at a horizontal viewing angle of at least 85°, with or  
171 without a screen cover glass;
- 172 (2) A native resolution greater than or equal to 2.3 megapixels (MP); and
- 173 (3) A color gamut of at least sRGB as defined by IEC 61966-2-1. Shifts in color space  
174 are allowable as long as 99% or more of defined sRGB colors are supported.

175 5) External Power Supply (EPS): Also referred to as External Power Adapter. An external power  
176 supply circuit that is used to convert household electric current into dc current or lower-voltage ac  
177 current to operate a consumer product.

178 6) Internal Power Supply (IPS): A component internal to the computer casing and designed to  
179 convert ac voltage from the mains to dc voltage(s) for the purpose of powering the computer  
180 components. For the purposes of this specification, an internal power supply shall be contained  
181 within the computer casing but be separate from the main computer board. The power supply  
182 shall connect to the mains through a single cable with no intermediate circuitry between the  
183 power supply and the mains power. In addition, all power connections from the power supply to  
184 the computer components, with the exception of a DC connection to a display in an Integrated  
185 Desktop Computer, shall be internal to the computer casing (i.e., no external cables running from  
186 the power supply to the computer or individual components). Internal dc-to-dc converters used to  
187 convert a single dc voltage from an external power supply into multiple voltages for use by the  
188 computer are not considered internal power supplies.

189 D) Operational Modes:

190 1) Active State: The power state in which the computer is carrying out useful work in response to a)  
191 prior or concurrent user input or b) prior or concurrent instruction over the network. Active State  
192 includes active processing, seeking data from storage, memory, or cache, including Idle State  
193 time while awaiting further user input and before entering low power modes.

194 2) Idle State: The power state in which the operating system and other software have completed  
195 loading, a user profile has been created, activity is limited to those basic applications that the  
196 system starts by default, and the computer is not in Sleep Mode. Idle State is composed of two  
197 sub-states: Short Idle and Long Idle.

198 a) Long Idle: The mode where the Computer has reached an Idle condition (i.e., 15 minutes  
199 after OS boot or after completing an active workload or after resuming from Sleep Mode)  
200 and the main Computer Display has entered a low-power state where screen contents  
201 cannot be observed (i.e., backlight has been turned off) but remains in the working mode  
202 (ACPI G0/S0). If power management features are enabled as-shipped in the scenario  
203 described in this definition, such features shall engage prior to evaluation of Long Idle  
204 (e.g., display is in a low power state, HDD may have spun-down), but the Computer is  
205 prevented from entering Sleep Mode.  $P_{LONG\_IDLE}$  represents the average power measured  
206 when in the Long Idle Mode.

207 b) Short Idle: The mode where the Computer has reached an Idle condition (i.e., 5 minutes  
208 after OS boot or after completing an active workload or after resuming from Sleep Mode),  
209 the screen is on, and Long Idle power management features have not engaged (e.g.  
210 HDD is spinning and the Computer is prevented from entering sleep mode).  $P_{SHORT\_IDLE}$   
211 represents the average power measured when in the Short Idle mode.

212 3) Off Mode: The lowest power mode which cannot be switched off (influenced) by the user and that  
213 may persist for an indefinite time when the appliance is connected to the main electricity supply  
214 and used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. For systems where ACPI standards  
215 are applicable, Off Mode correlates to ACPI System Level S5 state.

216 4) Sleep Mode: A low power mode that the computer enters automatically after a period of inactivity  
217 or by manual selection. A computer with Sleep capability can quickly "wake" in response to  
218 network connections or user interface devices with a latency of less than or equal to 5 seconds  
219 from initiation of wake event to system becoming fully usable including rendering of display. For  
220 systems where ACPI standards are applicable, Sleep Mode most commonly correlates to ACPI  
221 System Level S3 (suspend to RAM) state.

222 E) Networking and Additional Capabilities:

223 1) Additional Internal Storage: Any and all internal hard disk drives (HDD) or solid state drives (SSD)  
224 installed beyond the largest capacity non-volatile storage device present in the system in its as  
225 shipped state. This definition does not include external drives.

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**Note:** EPA received stakeholder feedback requesting to harmonize the additional internal storage definition with the CEC definition to limit the ability to apply a larger adder to a primary hard drive where a smaller SSD is also installed in the system. EPA has adopted the CEC language in Draft 2.

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2) Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE): A technology which enables reduced power consumption of Ethernet interfaces during times of low data throughput. Specified by IEEE 802.3az.

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3) Full Network Connectivity: The ability of the computer to maintain network presence while in Sleep Mode or an alternative low power mode (LPM) with power demand of less than or equal to 2 watts and intelligently wake when further processing is required (including occasional processing required to maintain network presence). Presence of the computer, its network services and applications, is maintained even though the computer is in a LPM. From the vantage point of the network, a computer with full network connectivity that is in LPM is functionally equivalent to an idle computer with respect to common applications and usage models. Full network connectivity in LPM is not limited to a specific set of protocols but can cover applications installed after initial installation. Also referred to as “network proxy” functionality and as described in the *Ecma-393* standard.

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a) Network Proxy - Base Capability: To maintain addresses and presence on the network while in LPM, the system handles IPv4 ARP and IPv6 NS/ND.

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b) Network Proxy - Full Capability: While in LPM, the system supports Base Capability, Remote Wake, and Service Discovery/Name Services.

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c) Network Proxy - Remote Wake: While in LPM, the system is capable of remotely waking upon request from outside the local network. Includes Base Capability.

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d) Network Proxy - Service Discovery/Name Services: While in LPM, the system allows for advertising host services and network name. Includes Base Capability.

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4) Network Interface: The components (hardware and software) whose primary function is to make the computer capable of communicating over one or more network technologies. Examples of Network Interfaces are IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet) and IEEE 802.11 (Wi-Fi).

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5) Wake Event: A user, scheduled, or external event or stimulus that causes the computer to transition from Sleep Mode or Off Mode to an active state of operation. Examples of wake events include, but are not limited to: movement of the mouse, keyboard activity, controller input, real-time clock event, or a button press on the chassis, and in the case of external events, stimulus conveyed via a remote control, network, modem, etc.

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6) Wake On LAN (WOL): Functionality which allows a computer to transition from Sleep Mode or Off Mode to an Active State of operation when directed by a network Wake Event via Ethernet.

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7) Switchable Graphics: Functionality that allows Discrete Graphics to be disabled when not required in favor of Integrated Graphics.

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Note: This functionality allows lower power and lower capability integrated GPUs to render the display while on battery or when the output graphics are not overly complex while then allowing the more power consumptive but more capable discrete GPU to provide rendering capability when required.

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F) Marketing and Shipment Channels:

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1) Enterprise Channels: Sales channels typically used by large and medium-sized business, government, educational, or other organizations to purchase computers for use in managed client/server environments.

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2) Model Name: A marketing name that includes reference to the computer model number, product description, or other branding references.

271 3) Model Number: A unique marketing name or identification reference that applies to a specific  
272 hardware and software configuration (e.g., operating system, processor type, memory, GPU), and  
273 is either pre-defined or selected by a customer.

274 G) Product Family: A high-level description referring to a group of computers sharing one  
275 chassis/motherboard combination that often contains hundreds of possible hardware and software  
276 configurations. Product models within a family differ from each other according to one or more  
277 characteristics or features that either (1) have no impact on product performance with regard to  
278 ENERGY STAR certification criteria, or (2) are specified herein as acceptable variations within a  
279 product family. For Computers, acceptable variations within a product family include:

280 1) Color;

281 2) Housing; and

282 3) Electronic components other than the chassis/motherboard, such as the processor,  
283 memory, GPU, etc.

## 284 **2 SCOPE**

### 285 **2.1 Included Products**

286 2.1.1 Products that meet the definition of a Computer and one of the following Product Type definitions,  
287 as specified herein, are eligible for ENERGY STAR certification, with the exception of products  
288 listed in Section 2.2:

289 i. Desktop Computers and Integrated Desktop Computers;

290 ii. Notebook Computers;

291 iii. Slates/Tablets;

292 iv. Portable All-In-One Computers;

293 v. Workstations; and

294 vi. Thin Clients.

### 295 **2.2 Excluded Products**

296 2.2.1 Products that are covered under other ENERGY STAR product specifications are not eligible for  
297 certification under this specification. The list of specifications currently in effect can be found at  
298 [www.energystar.gov/products](http://www.energystar.gov/products).

299 2.2.2 The following products are not eligible for certification under this specification:

300 i. Docking Stations;

301 ii. Game Consoles;

302 iii. E-Readers;

303 iv. Handheld gaming devices, typically battery powered and intended for use with an integral  
304 display as the primary display;

305 v. Mobile Thin Clients not meeting the definition of Notebook Computer;

306 vi. Personal Digital Assistant devices (PDAs);

307 vii. Point of Sale (POS) products that do not use internal components common to Notebook,  
308 Desktop, or Integrated Desktop Computers, including a processor, motherboard, and  
309 memory;

310 viii. Slate/Tablet based POS products;

- 311 ix. Handheld Computers which contain cellular voice capability;
- 312 x. Mobile Workstations;
- 313 xi. Ultra-thin Clients; and
- 314 xii. Small-scale Servers.

315 **Note:** Due to the limited product energy information EPA has available on mobile workstations, along with  
 316 their limited presence in the market, EPA is proposing to exclude them from scope in Version 7.0. EPA  
 317 welcomes additional product data to support potential level setting for these products prior to the  
 318 finalization of Version 7.0.

### 319 **3 CERTIFICATION CRITERIA**

#### 320 **3.1 Significant Digits and Rounding**

- 321 3.1.1 All calculations shall be carried out with directly measured (unrounded) values.
- 322 3.1.2 Unless otherwise specified in this specification, compliance with specification limits shall be  
 323 evaluated using directly measured or calculated values without any benefit from rounding.
- 324 3.1.3 Directly measured or calculated values that are submitted for reporting on the ENERGY STAR  
 325 website shall be rounded to the nearest significant digit as expressed in the corresponding  
 326 specification limit.

#### 327 **3.2 General Requirements**

- 328 3.2.1 Power supply test data and test reports from testing entities recognized by EPA to perform power  
 329 supply testing shall be accepted for the purpose of certifying the ENERGY STAR product.
- 330 3.2.2 Internal Power Supply (IPS) Requirements: IPSs used in Computers eligible under this  
 331 specification must meet the following requirements when tested using the *Generalized Internal*  
 332 *Power Supply Efficiency Test Protocol, Rev. 6.6* (available at  
 333 [http://www.plugloadolutions.com/docs/collatrl/print/Generalized\\_Internal\\_Power\\_Supply\\_Efficiency\\_Test\\_Protocol\\_R6.6.pdf](http://www.plugloadolutions.com/docs/collatrl/print/Generalized_Internal_Power_Supply_Efficiency_Test_Protocol_R6.6.pdf)).  
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- 335 i. IPS with maximum rated output power less than 75 watts shall meet minimum efficiency  
 336 requirements as specified in Table 1 and Table 2.
- 337 ii. IPS with maximum rated output power greater than or equal to 75 watts shall meet both  
 338 minimum efficiency requirements and minimum power factor requirements, as specified in  
 339 Table 1 and Table 2.

340 **Table 1: Requirements for Internal Power Supplies Rated 500 Watts and Below**

Loading Condition (Percentage of Nameplate Output Current)	Minimum Efficiency	Minimum Power Factor
20%	0.82	-
50%	0.85	-
100%	0.82	0.90



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**Table 2: Requirements for Internal Power Supplies Rated Above 500 Watts**

Loading Condition (Percentage of Nameplate Output Current)	Minimum Efficiency	Minimum Power Factor
20%	0.87	-
50%	0.90	0.90
100%	0.87	-

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343 **Note:** EPA received a number of comments from stakeholders regarding the appropriateness of the  
 344 80Plus load points-some saying EPA should add load points and reference more stringent 80Plus tiers  
 345 and some saying the 80Plus load points are not appropriate for many product types and the IPS  
 346 requirements should be dropped. Setting IPS requirements based on the trusted 80Plus program, though  
 347 not perfect, is the best currently available path to impact active mode efficiency. As resources allow, EPA  
 348 will work with 80Plus and other stakeholders focused on effectively using IPS requirements or other  
 349 means to drive active mode efficiency.

350 EPA also received stakeholder feedback stating that moving from 80Plus Bronze to Gold equivalent  
 351 requirements in Version 7.0 is premature and not a cost effective solution for manufacturers at this time.  
 352 EPA performed a review of third party IPS offerings on consumer sites and found that while there does  
 353 appear to be a significant cost difference in Bronze vs. Gold options for IPSs with nameplate ratings  
 354 below 500 watts, the difference above 500 watts is small, and even found examples above 800 watts  
 355 where the most cost effective Gold option was slightly less expensive than a comparable Bronze  
 356 equivalent product. As a result, EPA is proposing to revert to 80Plus Bronze in Version 7.0 for IPSs of  
 357 500 watts and below, where the cost increase starts to become more prevalent, but maintaining the  
 358 80Plus Gold equivalent levels for IPSs above 500 watts. EPA will revisit the requirements for the lower  
 359 power IPSs in Version 8.0 to see if they warrant additional stringency at that time.

360 EPA has also made a slightly revision to the 80Plus Gold equivalent requirements in Table 2 above,  
 361 clarifying that the 0.90 minimum power factor requirement is applicable at 50% load, aligning with the  
 362 80Plus website.

363 3.2.3 External Power Supply (EPS) Requirements: Single- and Multiple-voltage EPSs shall meet the  
 364 Level V or higher performance requirements under the International Efficiency Marking Protocol  
 365 when tested according to the Uniform Test Method for Measuring the Energy Consumption of  
 366 External Power Supplies, Appendix Z to 10 CFR Part 430.

- 367 i. Single-voltage EPSs shall include the Level VI or higher marking.
- 368 ii. Multiple-voltage EPSs meeting Level VI or higher shall include the Level VI or higher  
 369 marking.
- 370 iii. Additional information on the Marking Protocol is available  
 371 at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=EERE-2008-BT-STD-0005-0218>

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### 373 3.3 Power Management Requirements

374 3.3.1 Products shall include power management features in their “as-shipped” condition as specified in  
 375 Table 3, subject to the following conditions:

- 376 i. For Thin Clients, the Wake-on-LAN (WOL) requirement shall apply for products designed to  
 377 receive software updates from a centrally managed network while in Sleep Mode or in Off  
 378 Mode. Thin Clients whose standard software upgrade framework does not require off-hours  
 379 scheduling are exempt from the WOL requirement.

- 380 ii. For Notebooks, WOL may be automatically disabled when the product is disconnected from  
381 ac mains power.
- 382 iii. For all products with WOL, directed packet filters shall be enabled and set to an industry  
383 standard default configuration.
- 384 iv. Products that do not support Sleep Mode by default are only subject to the Display Sleep  
385 Mode requirement.

**Table 3: Power Management Requirements**

Mode or Mode Transition	Requirement	Desktops	Integrated Desktops	Portable All-In-Ones	Notebooks	Slates/Tablets	Thin Clients	Workstations
<b>System Sleep Mode<sup>i</sup></b>	(1) Sleep Mode shall be set to activate after no more than 30 minutes of user inactivity. (2) The speed of any active 1 Gb/s or faster Ethernet network links shall be reduced when transitioning to Sleep Mode or Off Mode.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes
<b>Display Sleep Mode</b>	(1) Display Sleep Mode shall be set to activate after no more than 15 minutes of user inactivity.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Wake on LAN (WOL)<sup>i</sup></b>	(1) Computers with Ethernet capability shall provide users with an option to enable and disable WOL for Sleep Mode. (2) Computers with Ethernet capability that are shipped through enterprise channels shall either: (a) be shipped with WOL enabled by default for Sleep Mode, when the computer is operating on ac mains power; or (b) provide users with the ability to enable WOL that is accessible from both the client operating system user interface and over the network.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes
<b>Wake Management<sup>i</sup></b>	(1) Computers with Ethernet capability that are shipped through enterprise channels shall: (a) be capable of both remote (via network) and scheduled (via real-time clock) wake events from Sleep Mode, and (b) provide clients with the ability to centrally manage (via vendor tools) any wake management settings that are configured through hardware settings if the manufacturer has control over such features.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes

<sup>i</sup> Where Sleep Mode is supported by the UUT by default and Sleep Mode power is used as part of the TEC equation for qualification.

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**Note:** EPA has clarified in the system sleep mode section that the speed reduction for Ethernet network links applies not only to 1Gb/s links, but also those faster than 1Gb/s.

### 390 **3.4 User Information Requirements**

391 3.4.1 Products shall be shipped with informational materials to notify customers of the following:

- 392 i. A description of power management settings that have been enabled by default,  
393 ii. A description of the timing settings for various power management features, and  
394 iii. Instructions for properly waking the product from Sleep Mode.

395 3.4.2 Products shall be shipped with one or more of the following:

- 396 i. A list of default power management settings.  
397 ii. A note stating that default power management settings have been selected for compliance  
398 with ENERGY STAR (within 15 min of user inactivity for the display, within 30 min for the  
399 computer, if applicable per Table 3), and are recommended by the ENERGY STAR program  
400 for optimal energy savings.  
401 iii. Information about ENERGY STAR and the benefits of power management, to be located at  
402 or near the beginning of the hard copy or electronic user manual, or in a package or box  
403 insert.

404 3.4.3 Provisions 3.4.1 and 3.4.2 may be met through use of either electronic or printed product  
405 documentation, provided it adheres to all of the following:

- 406 i. Documentation is shipped with the product (e.g., in a printed manual or insert, on included  
407 optical media, in a file installed with the software load shipped to the customer) or available  
408 electronically on the manufacturer's website. In the latter case, instructions for accessing the  
409 information on the website shall be provided in the product package or on the Desktop or  
410 home screen; and  
411 ii. Documentation is included either (a) only with ENERGY STAR certified Computers; or (b) as  
412 part of the standard documentation if and only if accompanied by EPA-approved customer  
413 guidance on how to identify if their computer configuration is ENERGY STAR certified.

### 414 **3.5 Requirements for Desktop, Integrated Desktop, and Notebook Computers**

415 3.5.1 Calculated Typical Energy Consumption ( $E_{TEC}$ ) for Desktop, Integrated Desktop, and Notebook  
416 Computers per Equation 1 shall be less than or equal to the maximum TEC requirement  
417 ( $E_{TEC\_MAX}$ ) per Equation 2, subject to the following requirements:

- 418 i. The Additional Internal Storage adder allowance ( $TEC_{STORAGE}$ ) shall be applied if there are  
419 more than one internal storage devices present in the product, in which case it shall only be  
420 applied once.  
421 ii. The Integrated Display adder allowance ( $TEC_{INT\_DISPLAY}$ ) applies only for Integrated Desktops  
422 and Notebooks and may be applied for each display. For Enhanced-performance Integrated  
423 Displays, the adder is calculated as presented in Table 9 and Equation 3.  
424 iii. For a product to certify for the Full Network Connectivity mode weighting, the following criteria  
425 shall be satisfied:  
426 • Products shall meet a non-proprietary Full Network Connectivity standard such as  
427 ECMA 393 or another standard that has been approved by EPA as meeting the goals  
428 of ENERGY STAR.  
429 • Products shall have the applied level of functionality enabled and configured by default  
430 upon shipment. If Full Network Connectivity features are not enabled by default, the  
431 system shall be tested and reported with Conventional TEC weightings.

- 432                   • Products shall be capable of Sleep Mode or alternative low power modes with power  
433 less than or equal to 2 watts.

434                   **Note:** Full Network Connectivity is a manufacturer-reported parameter. On Mac computers,  
435 “Wake for network access” enabled within the Energy Saver/Power Adapter Preferences  
436 signifies Base Capability or better. On Windows computers, “ARP Offload” or “NS Offload” or  
437 similar enabled within the Advanced Properties of the Network Interface Card (accessed  
438 through the Device Manager) signifies Base Capability or better. For systems with a dual  
439 Network Interface Card (NIC) configuration, only one NIC configuration needs to comply. The  
440 manufacturer can provide further guidance on how to confirm Proxy Support.

441                   **Note:** While EPA considered stakeholder comment on the Draft 1 changes to the full network connectivity  
442 mode weighting, EPA determined changes are not warranted and has maintained the Draft 1 language.  
443 The feedback questioned allowing alternative very low power network connected modes to make use of  
444 the network proxy full capability mode weightings in Table 4 and Table 5 below. EPA wants to reiterate  
445 that products certified to Version 6.0/6.1 using conventional mode weightings, and meeting the proposed  
446 criteria levels, will be able to certify without issue as conventional in Version 7.0, and that the full network  
447 connectivity mode weightings have been made less restrictive to allow products to take advantage of  
448 alternative solutions that meet or exceed the energy savings provided by solutions such as the ECMA-  
449 393 standard. This more technology neutral approach will allow newer solutions to use mode weightings  
450 more appropriate for their expected behavior.

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453 in place of System Sleep Mode, power in Long Idle ( $P_{LONG\_IDLE}$ ) may be used in place of  
454 power in Sleep ( $P_{SLEEP}$ ) in Equation 1 if the alternative low power mode is less than or equal  
455 to 10 watts. In such instances, ( $P_{SLEEP} \times T_{SLEEP}$ ), is replaced by ( $P_{LONG\_IDLE} \times T_{SLEEP}$ );  
456 Equation 1 remains otherwise unchanged.
- 457                   v. Notebooks, Desktops, and Integrated Desktops with switchable graphics may not apply the  
458 Discrete Graphics allowance,  $TEC_{GRAPHICS}$ , from Table 9 in Equation 2. However, for Desktop  
459 and Integrated Desktop systems providing Switchable Graphics and enabling it by default, an  
460 allowance equal to 50% of the G1 graphics allowance for the platform type (Desktop or  
461 Integrated Desktop) may be applied. The switchable graphics incentive only applies to  
462 automated switching that is enabled by default. This capability is manufacturer-declared.

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464                   **Equation 1: TEC Calculation ( $E_{TEC}$ ) for Desktop, Integrated Desktop, Thin Client**  
465                   **and Notebook Computers**

$$E_{TEC} = \frac{8760}{1000} \times (P_{OFF} \times T_{OFF} + P_{SLEEP} \times T_{SLEEP} + P_{LONG\_IDLE} \times T_{LONG\_IDLE} + P_{SHORT\_IDLE} \times T_{SHORT\_IDLE})$$

466                   Where:

- 467                   ▪  $P_{OFF}$  = Measured power consumption in Off Mode (W);
- 468                   ▪  $P_{SLEEP}$  = Measured power consumption in Sleep Mode (W);
- 469                   ▪  $P_{LONG\_IDLE}$  = Measured power consumption in Long Idle Mode  
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- 471                   ▪  $P_{SHORT\_IDLE}$  = Measured power consumption in Short Idle Mode  
472 (W); and
- 473                   ▪  $T_{OFF}$ ,  $T_{SLEEP}$ ,  $T_{LONG\_IDLE}$ , and  $T_{SHORT\_IDLE}$  are mode weightings as  
474 specified in Table 4 (for Desktops, Integrated Desktops, and Thin  
475 Clients) or Table 5 (for Notebooks).

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477 **Table 4: Mode Weightings for Desktop, Thin Clients, and Integrated Desktop Computers**

Mode Weighting	Conventional	Network Proxy - Full Capability
T <sub>OFF</sub>	45%	20%
T <sub>SLEEP</sub>	5%	45%
T <sub>LONG_IDLE</sub>	15%	5%
T <sub>SHORT_IDLE</sub>	35%	30%

478 **Table 5: Mode Weightings for Notebook Computers**

Mode Weighting	Conventional	Network Proxy - Full Capability
T <sub>OFF</sub>	25%	25%
T <sub>SLEEP</sub>	35%	45%
T <sub>LONG_IDLE</sub>	10%	5%
T <sub>SHORT_IDLE</sub>	30%	25%

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481 **Equation 2: E<sub>TEC\_MAX</sub> Calculation for Desktop, Integrated Desktop, and Notebook Computers**

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$$E_{TEC\_MAX} = (1 + ALLOWANCE_{PSU}) \times (TEC_{BASE} + TEC_{MEMORY} + TEC_{GRAPHICS} + TEC_{STORAGE} +$$
  
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$$TEC_{INT\_DISPLAY} + TEC_{SWITCHABLE} + TEC_{EEE})$$

484 *Where:*

- 485 ▪ ALLOWANCE<sub>PSU</sub> is an allowance provided to power supplies that
- 486 meet the optional more stringent efficiency levels specified in
- 487 Table 6; power supplies that do not meet the requirements
- 488 receive an allowance of 0;
- 489 ▪ TEC<sub>BASE</sub> is the Base allowance specified in Table 7 or Table 8;
- 490 and,
- 491 ▪ TEC<sub>GRAPHICS</sub> is the discrete graphics allowance as specified in
- 492 Table 9, with the exception of systems with integrated graphics,
- 493 which do not receive an allowance, or Desktops and Integrated
- 494 Desktops with switchable graphics enabled by default, which
- 495 receive an allowance through TEC<sub>SWITCHABLE</sub>; and
- 496 ▪ TEC<sub>MEMORY</sub>, TEC<sub>STORAGE</sub>, TEC<sub>INT\_DISPLAY</sub>, TEC<sub>SWITCHABLE</sub>, and
- 497 TEC<sub>EEE</sub> are adder allowances as specified in Table 9.

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Table 6: Internal Power Supply Efficiency Allowance

Power Supply Type	Computer Type	Minimum Efficiency at Specified Proportion of Rated Output Current <sup>ii</sup>				Minimum Average Efficiency <sup>iii</sup>	Allowance <sub>PSU</sub>
		10%	20%	50%	100%		
IPS	Desktop	0.86	0.90	0.92	0.90	-	0.015
		0.90	0.92	0.94	0.92	-	0.03
	Integrated Desktop	0.86	0.90	0.92	0.90	-	0.015
		0.90	0.92	0.94	0.92	-	0.04

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Table 7: Base TEC ( $TEC_{BASE}$ ) Allowances for Desktops and Integrated Desktops

Category Name	Graphics Capability <sup>iv</sup>	Desktop or Integrated Desktop	
		Performance Score, $P^v$	Base Allowance
0	Any Graphics $dGfx \leq G7$	$P \leq 3$	69.0
I1	Integrated or Switchable Graphics	$3 < P \leq 6$	112.0
I2		$6 < P \leq 7$	120.0
I3		$P > 7$	135.0
D1	Discrete Graphics $dGfx \leq G7$	$3 < P \leq 9$	115.0
D2		$P > 9$	135.0

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Table 8: Base TEC ( $TEC_{BASE}$ ) Allowances for Notebooks

Category Name	Notebook	
	Performance Score, $P^v$	Base Allowance
0	$P \leq 2$	6.5
1	$2 < P \leq 8$	8.0
2	$P > 8$	12.0

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- ii EPSs shall meet the specified requirements when tested using the *Uniform Test Method for Measuring the Energy Consumption of External Power Supplies, Appendix Z to 10 CFR Part 430*. IPSs shall meet the specified requirements when tested using the *EPRI 306 Generalized Internal Power Supply Efficiency Test Protocol, Rev. 6.6*.
- iii Average efficiency is the arithmetic mean of efficiencies tested at 25%, 50%, 75%, and 100% of rated output current. EPSs shall meet the specified requirements when tested using the *Uniform Test Method for Measuring the Energy Consumption of External Power Supplies, Appendix Z to 10 CFR Part 430*.
- iv Discrete Graphics capability is categorized based on frame buffer bandwidth, as shown in Table 8.
- v  $P = [\# \text{ of CPU cores}] \times [\text{CPU clock speed (GHz)}]$ , where # of cores represents the number of physical CPU cores and CPU clock speed represents the Max TDP core frequency, not the turbo boost frequency.

505 **Note:** EPA received feedback stating that switching the performance score boundary for notebook  
 506 compared in category 1 and 2 from 9 to 8 results in a slightly better distribution of systems. After  
 507 reviewing the data, EPA agrees with this assessment and has tweaked the performance score boundary  
 508 of category 1 and category 2 accordingly.

509 EPA also received feedback regarding multiple adders in Table 9 below. In adjusting the discrete  
 510 graphics, memory, and enhanced performance display adders, EPA revised the base allowances in Table  
 511 8 above to ensure top quartile recognition of the market. While the base allowances appear higher than in  
 512 Draft 1, a mistake that was present in the memory adder in Draft 1 analysis has been corrected, so the  
 513 overall requirements are now more stringent in Draft 2. After taking into account the base and functional  
 514 allowances, the number of products which qualify in each category are 26.3% (Category 0), 25.6%  
 515 (Category 1), and 24.5% (Category 2). These percentages were based on the ENERGY STAR dataset,  
 516 excluding those products certified before 2015.

517 **Table 9: Functional Adder Allowances for Desktop, Integrated Desktop, Thin Client, and Notebook**  
 518 **Computers**

Function		Desktop	Integrated Desktop	Notebook
<b>TEC<sub>MEMORY</sub> (kWh)<sup>vi</sup></b>		0.8		0.4
<b>TEC<sub>GRAPHICS</sub> (kWh)<sup>vii</sup></b>	<b>Graphics Category<sup>viii</sup></b>	<b>G1</b> ( <i>FB_BW</i> ≤ 16)	36	29.3 × tanh(0.0038 × <i>FB_BW</i> – 0.137) + 13.4
		<b>G2</b> (16 < <i>FB_BW</i> ≤ 32)	51	
		<b>G3</b> (32 < <i>FB_BW</i> ≤ 64)	64	
		<b>G4</b> (64 < <i>FB_BW</i> ≤ 96)	83	
		<b>G5</b> (96 < <i>FB_BW</i> ≤ 128)	105	
		<b>G6</b> ( <i>FB_BW</i> > 128; Frame Buffer Data Width < 192 bits)	115	
		<b>G7</b> ( <i>FB_BW</i> > 128; Frame Buffer Data Width ≥ 192 bits)	130	
<b>TEC<sub>SWITCHABLE</sub> (kWh)<sup>ix</sup></b>		0.5 × G1		N/A
<b>TEC<sub>EEE</sub> (kWh)<sup>x</sup></b>		8.76 × 0.2 × (0.15 + 0.35)		N/A
<b>TEC<sub>STORAGE</sub> (kWh)<sup>xi</sup></b>		26		2.6

- vi **TEC<sub>MEMORY</sub> Adder:** Applies per GB installed in the system.
- vii **TEC<sub>GRAPHICS</sub> Adder:** Applies to only the first dGfx installed in the system, but not Switchable Graphics.
- viii **FB\_BW:** Is the display frame buffer bandwidth in gigabytes per second (GB/s). This is a manufacturer declared parameter and should be calculated as follows: (Data Rate [Mhz] × Frame Buffer Data Width [bits]) / ( 8 × 1000 )
- ix **TEC<sub>SWITCHABLE</sub> Incentive:** Applies to automated switching that is enabled by default in Desktops and Integrated Desktops.
- x **TEC<sub>EEE</sub>:** Applies per IEEE 802.3az-compliant (Energy Efficient Ethernet) Gigabit Ethernet port enabled as shipped.
- xi **TEC<sub>STORAGE</sub> Adder:** Applies once if system has more than one Additional Internal Storage element.



Function	Desktop	Integrated Desktop	Notebook
$TEC_{INT\_DISPLAY}$ (kWh) <sup>xii</sup>	N/A	$8.76 \times 0.35 \times (1+EP) \times (4xr + 0.05xA)$	$8.76 \times 0.30 \times (1+EP) \times (0.43xr + 0.0263xA)$

519 **Note:** EPA received feedback regarding harmonizing with CEC's discrete graphics adder equation as it  
520 more fairly treats high end graphics solutions compared to using discrete values for G1 – G7 from the  
521 equation. EPA has removed the discrete G1 – G7 categories for notebooks and has applied the CEC  
522 equation to all models. The result is a better distribution of products across the graphics capability range.

523 EPA also received feedback that there was an extra 0.43 constant in the enhanced performance  
524 multiplier of the notebook integrated display adder. This has been corrected in Draft 2. The combination  
525 of adjusted base allowances in Table 8 and Table 9 above result in differentiating the top products across  
526 all three performance categories, while better handling differences in discrete graphics capabilities.

527 Finally, EPA received feedback stating that in order to be eligible for the EEE incentive, that ports should  
528 not only be EEE capable but that EEE should be enabled as shipped. EPA supports this recommended  
529 change and has adopted it in Draft 2.

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531 **Equation 3: Calculation of Allowance for Enhanced-performance Integrated Displays**

$$532 \quad EP = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{No Enhanced Performance Display} \\ 0.3, & \text{Enhanced Performance Display, } d < 27 \\ 0.75, & \text{Enhanced Performance Display, } d \geq 27 \end{cases}$$

533 *Where:*

- 534 ▪ *d is the diagonal of the screen, in inches;*

535 **3.6 Requirements for Slates/Tablets and Portable All-In-One Computers**

536 3.6.1 Slates/Tablets and Portable All-In-One Computers shall follow **all** of the requirements for  
537 Notebook Computers in Section 3.5 above, including calculations of the following:

- 538 i. Calculated Typical Energy Consumption ( $E_{TEC}$ ), using Equation 1 with the Notebook  
539 Computer Mode Weightings from Table 5.
- 540 ii. Calculated Maximum Allowed Typical Energy Consumption ( $E_{TEC\_MAX}$ ), using Equation 2 with  
541 the appropriate base Notebook Computer allowance from Table 8, and applicable Notebook  
542 Computer functional adder allowances from Table 9.

543 **3.7 Requirements for Workstations**

544 3.7.1 Weighted power consumption ( $P_{TEC}$ ) as calculated per Equation 4 shall be less than or equal to  
545 the maximum weighted power consumption requirement ( $P_{TEC\_MAX}$ ) as calculated per Equation 5.

546 **Equation 4:  $P_{TEC}$  Calculation for Workstations**

$$547 \quad P_{TEC} = P_{OFF} \times T_{OFF} + P_{SLEEP} \times T_{SLEEP} + P_{LONG\_IDLE} \times T_{LONG\_IDLE} \\ 548 \quad + P_{SHORT\_IDLE} \times T_{SHORT\_IDLE}$$

xii  $TEC_{INT\_DISPLAY}$  Adder: EP is the Enhanced Performance Display allowance calculated per Equation 3;  
r is the Screen resolution in megapixels; and A is viewable screen area in square inches.

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Where:

- $P_{OFF}$  = Measured power consumption in Off Mode (W);
- $P_{SLEEP}$  = Measured power consumption in Sleep Mode (W);
- $P_{LONG\_IDLE}$  = Measured power consumption in Long Idle Mode (W);
- $P_{SHORT\_IDLE}$  = Measured power consumption in Short Idle Mode (W); and
- $T_{OFF}$ ,  $T_{SLEEP}$ ,  $T_{LONG\_IDLE}$ , and  $T_{SHORT\_IDLE}$  are mode weightings as specified in Table 10.

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**Table 10: Mode Weightings for Workstations**

$T_{OFF}$	$T_{SLEEP}$	$T_{LONG\_IDLE}$	$T_{SHORT\_IDLE}$
35%	10%	15%	40%

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**Equation 5:  $P_{TEC\_MAX}$  Calculation for Workstations**

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$$P_{TEC\_MAX} = 0.28 \times (P_{MAX} + N_{HDD} \times 5)$$

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$$+ 8.76 \times P_{EEE} \times (T_{SLEEP} + T_{LONG\_IDLE} + T_{SHORT\_IDLE})$$

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Where:

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- $P_{MAX}$  = Measured maximum power consumption (W)
- $N_{HDD}$  = Number of installed hard disk drives (HDD) or solid state drives (SSD)
- $P_{EEE}$  is an EEE allowance of 0.2 W per IEEE 802.3az-compliant (Energy Efficient Ethernet) Gigabit Ethernet port.

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3.7.2 Active State Benchmark: To be ENERGY STAR certified, a Workstation must be submitted for certification with the following information disclosed in full:

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i. Linpack benchmark test results, compiler optimizations, and total energy consumed over the duration of the test; and

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ii. SPECviewperf benchmark test results, configuration options, total duration of the test, and total energy consumed over the duration of the test.

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3.7.3 Desktop Workstations: Products marketed as workstations may be ENERGY STAR certified under the Desktop requirements in Section 3.5 instead of the Workstation requirements in Section 3.6, at the Partner's option. EPA will identify Workstations certified as Desktops as "Desktops" in all ENERGY STAR marketing materials, on certified product lists, etc.

### 581 3.8 Requirements for Thin Clients

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3.8.1 Calculated Typical Energy Consumption ( $E_{TEC}$ ) per Equation 1 shall be less than or equal to the Maximum TEC Requirement ( $E_{TEC\_MAX}$ ), as calculated per Equation 6, subject to the following requirements.

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- i. Allowances can only be applied if the corresponding adders are enabled by default.
- ii. Thin Clients can utilize the proxy weightings in Table when calculating  $E_{TEC}$ .

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iii. For Thin Clients that lack a discrete System Sleep Mode, Long Idle State power ( $P_{LONG\_IDLE}$ ) may be used in place of Sleep Mode Power ( $P_{SLEEP}$ ) in Equation 1 so long as the system meets the Thin Client TEC allowance. In such instances, ( $P_{SLEEP} \times T_{SLEEP}$ ), is replaced by ( $P_{LONG\_IDLE} \times T_{SLEEP}$ ); Equation 1 remains otherwise unchanged.

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**Equation 6: Calculation of  $E_{TEC\_MAX}$  for Thin Clients**

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$$E_{TEC\_MAX} = TEC_{BASE} + TEC_{GRAPHICS} + TEC_{WOL} + TEC_{INT\_DISPLAY} + TEC_{EEE}$$

595 *Where:*

- 596 ▪  $TEC_{BASE}$  is the Base Allowance specified in Table 11;
- 597 ▪  $TEC_{GRAPHICS}$  is the Discrete Graphics allowance specified in
- 598 Table 11 if applicable;
- 599 ▪  $TEC_{WOL}$  is the Wake-on-LAN allowance specified in Table if
- 600 applicable;
- 601 ▪  $TEC_{INT\_DISPLAY}$  is the Integrated Display allowance for Integrated
- 602 Desktops specified in Table 9 if applicable; and
- 603 ▪  $TEC_{EEE}$  is the Energy Efficiency Ethernet incentive for Desktops
- 604 specified in Table 9 if applicable, per IEEE 802.3az-compliant
- 605 (Energy Efficient Ethernet) Gigabit Ethernet port.
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608 **Table 11: Adder Allowances for Thin Clients**

Adder	Allowance (kWh)
$TEC_{BASE}$	31
$TEC_{GRAPHICS}$	36
$TEC_{WOL}$	2

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**Note:** Products intended for sale in the US market are subject to minimum toxicity and recyclability requirements. Please see ENERGY STAR® Program Requirements for Computers: Partner Commitments for details.

615 **Note:** EPA received initial comments and then a follow-up set of comments related to the Draft 1  
 616 proposed levels for thin clients. Within the additional feedback, EPA received requests for additional  
 617 adders and an amended base allowance. EPA re-evaluated the thin client data levels proposed in Draft 1  
 618 and found that these levels adequately differentiate the market and allow for the inclusion of both low-end  
 619 and high-end thin client products. EPA noted that additional adders, when coupled with the base  
 620 allowance, would result in all currently certified products being eligible for the ENERGY STAR under  
 621 Version 7.0. Therefore, EPA has retained the same thin client criteria in Draft 2 as was proposed in Draft  
 622 1. EPA welcomes any further feedback on the levels proposed with supporting data.

623 EPA also received a proposal to change the Version 6.0/6.1 formatting structure for thin clients. After  
 624 reviewing this proposal, EPA has determined that it would add needless complexity to the requirements  
 625 and has maintained the formatting structure from the previous versions.

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627 **4 TESTING**

628 **4.1 Test Methods**

629 4.1.1 When testing Computer products, the test methods identified in Table 12 shall be used to  
630 determine ENERGY STAR certification.

**Table 12: Test Methods for ENERGY STAR Certification**

Product Type or Component	Test Method
All	ENERGY STAR Test Method for Computers, Rev. August-2014

632 **4.2 Number of Units Required for Testing**

633 4.2.1 Representative Models shall be selected for testing per the following requirements:

- 634 i. For certification of an individual product configuration, the unique configuration that is  
635 intended to be marketed and labeled as ENERGY STAR is considered the Representative  
636 Model.
- 637 ii. For certification of a Product Family of all product types, with the exception of Workstations,  
638 product configurations that represent the worst-case power consumption for each product  
639 category within the family are considered Representative Models. When submitting Product  
640 Families, manufacturers continue to be held accountable for any efficiency claims made  
641 about their products, including those not tested or for which data were not reported.
- 642 iii. For systems that meet the definition for multiple categories (as defined in Section 1.B)  
643 depending on the specific configuration, manufacturers will have to submit the highest power  
644 configuration for each category under which they would like the system to be ENERGY STAR  
645 certified. For example, a system that could be configured as either a Category 0 or 1  
646 Desktop, as defined in Table 7 would require submittal of the highest power configuration for  
647 both categories in order to be ENERGY STAR certified. If a product could be configured to  
648 meet all categories, it would then have to submit data for the highest power configuration in  
649 all categories.
- 650 iv. For certification of a Product Family of Workstations under the Workstation or Desktop  
651 product type, the product configuration that represents the worst-case power consumption  
652 with a single GPU within the family is considered the Representative Model.

654 Note: Workstations that meet ENERGY STAR requirements with a single graphics device  
655 may also have a configuration with more than one graphics device be ENERGY STAR  
656 certified, provided the additional hardware configuration is identical with the exception of the  
657 additional graphics device(s). The use of multiple graphics includes, but is not limited to,  
658 driving multiple displays and ganging for high performance, multi-GPU configurations (e.g.  
659 ATI Crossfire, NVIDIA SLI). In such cases, and until such time as SPECviewperf® supports  
660 multiple graphics threads, manufacturers may submit the test data for the workstation with  
661 the single graphics device for both configurations without retesting the system.

662 4.2.2 A single unit of each Representative Model shall be selected for testing.

663 4.2.3 All units/configurations for which a Partner is seeking ENERGY STAR certification, must meet the  
664 ENERGY STAR requirements. However, if a Partner wishes to certify configurations of a model  
665 for which non-ENERGY STAR certified alternative configurations exist, the Partner must assign  
666 the certified configurations an identifier in the model name/number that is unique to ENERGY  
667 STAR certified configurations. This identifier must be used consistently in association with the  
668 certified configurations in marketing/sales materials and on the ENERGY STAR list of certified  
669 products (e.g. model A1234 for baseline configurations and A1234-ES for ENERGY STAR  
670 certified configurations).

671 **Note:** There may be cases—as described in the paragraph above—where not all  
672 units/configurations will meet ENERGY STAR requirements. If so, the worst-case configuration  
673 for test will be the worst-case certified configuration, and not one of the presumably even higher-  
674 energy consuming non-certified configurations.

675 **4.3 International Market Certification**

676 4.3.1 Products shall be tested for certification at the relevant input voltage/frequency combination for  
677 each market in which they will be sold and promoted as ENERGY STAR.

678 **4.4 Customer Software and Management Service Pre-Provisioning**

679 4.4.1 If a manufacturing Partner is hired by a customer to load a custom image on an ENERGY STAR  
680 certified computer, the Partner shall take the following steps:

- 681 i. Inform the customer that their product may not meet ENERGY STAR with the custom image.  
682 A sample notification letter is available on the ENERGY STAR Web site.
- 683 ii. Encourage the customer to test the product for ENERGY STAR compliance.
- 684 iii. Encourage the customer, should the product no longer meet ENERGY STAR, to make use of  
685 EPA's free technical assistance that can assist with Power Management performance, which  
686 can be found at [www.energystar.gov/fedofficeenergy](http://www.energystar.gov/fedofficeenergy).

687 **5 USER INTERFACE**

688 5.1.1 Manufacturers are encouraged to design products in accordance with the user interface standard  
689 IEEE 1621: Standard for User Interface Elements in Power Control of Electronic Devices  
690 Employed in Office/Consumer Environments. For details, see <http://eetd.LBL.gov/Controls>.

691 **6 EFFECTIVE DATE**

692 6.1.1 Effective Date: The Version 7.0 ENERGY STAR Computers specification shall take effect **TBD**.  
693 To be ENERGY STAR certified, a product model shall meet the ENERGY STAR specification in  
694 effect on its date of manufacture. The date of manufacture is specific to each unit and is the date  
695 on which a unit is considered to be completely assembled.

696 6.1.2 Future Specification Revisions: EPA reserves the right to change this specification should  
697 technological and/or market changes affect its usefulness to consumers, industry, or the  
698 environment. In keeping with current policy, revisions to the specification are arrived at through  
699 stakeholder discussions. In the event of a specification revision, please note that the ENERGY  
700 STAR certification is not automatically granted for the life of a product model.

701 **7 CONSIDERATIONS FOR FUTURE REVISIONS**

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## APPENDIX A: Sample Calculations

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- I. **Desktop, Integrated Desktop, Notebook Computers:** Below is a sample TEC calculation intended to show how levels for compliance are determined based on functional adders and operational mode measurements.

*Following is a sample  $E_{TEC}$  evaluation for a 2.0 GHz, dual core Notebook with Switchable Graphics, 8 GB Memory, Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE), and 1 hard disk drive (HDD).*

- A) Measure values using the ENERGY STAR Computers Test Method:
- 1) Off Mode = 1.0 W
  - 2) Sleep Mode = 1.7 W
  - 3) Long Idle State = 8.0 W
  - 4) Short Idle State = 10.0 W
- B) Determine the proxy support provided by the operating system and network card. This is a manufacturer-reported parameter.
- 1) On Mac computers, “Wake for network access” enabled within the Energy Saver/Power Adapter Preferences signifies Base Capability or better.
  - 2) On Windows computers, “ARP Offload” or “NS Offload” or similar enabled within the Advanced Properties of the Network Interface Card (accessed through the Device Manager) signifies Base Capability or better. OEM can provide further guidance on how to confirm Proxy Support
- C) Calculate  $E_{TEC}$  from power measurements and mode weightings—this example assumes no Proxy Support/Conventional Weightings:

$T_{OFF}$	25%
$T_{SLEEP}$	35%
$T_{LONG\_IDLE}$	10%
$T_{SHORT\_IDLE}$	30%

- 1) 
$$E_{TEC} = \frac{8760}{1000} \times (P_{OFF} \times T_{OFF} + P_{SLEEP} \times T_{SLEEP} + P_{LONG\_IDLE} \times T_{LONG\_IDLE} + P_{SHORT\_IDLE} \times T_{SHORT\_IDLE})$$
  - 2) 
$$E_{TEC} = \frac{8760}{1000} \times (1.0 \text{ W} \times 25\% + 1.7 \text{ W} \times 35\% + 8.0 \text{ W} \times 10\% + 10.0 \text{ W} \times 30\%)$$
  - 3)  $E_{TEC} = 40.7 \text{ kWh / year}$
- D) Determine which Base TEC allowance applies based on graphics capability and performance score:  $P = [\# \text{ of CPU cores}] \times [\text{CPU clock speed (GHz)}] = 2 \times 2 \text{ GHz} = 4.$

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**Table 6: Base TEC (TEC<sub>BASE</sub>) Allowances**

Category Name	Graphics Capability	Notebook	
		Performance Score, P	Base Allowance
I1	Integrated or Switchable Graphics	2 < P ≤ 5.2	22.0

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E) Determine which Functional Adder Allowances apply:

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1) Memory: 8 GB installed, so a  $TEC_{MEMORY}$  allowance of  $8 \text{ GB} \times 0.8 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{GB}} = 6.4 \text{ kWh}$  applies

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2) Discrete Graphics? No, therefore  $TEC_{GRAPHICS}$  allowance does not apply.

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3) Switchable Graphics? Yes, but  $TEC_{SWITCHABLE}$  allowance does not apply to Notebooks.

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4) Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE)? Yes, and assuming one EEE-compliant Ethernet port, a  $TEC_{EEE}$  allowance of  $8.76 \times 0.2 \times (0.10 + 0.30) = 0.7 \text{ kWh}$  applies

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5) Storage? No, the notebook has only one hard disk drive, so no storage allowance applies.

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6) Integrated Display? Yes, and assuming a non-enhanced performance, 14 inch display with an area of 83.4 square inches and a resolution of 1.05 megapixels, a  $TEC_{INT\_DISPLAY}$  allowance of  $8.76 \times 0.30 \times (1+EP) \times (2 \times r + 0.02 \times A) = 8.76 \times 0.30 \times (2 \times 1.05 \text{ MP} + 0.02 \times 83.4 \text{ in}^2) = 9.9 \text{ kWh}$  applies.

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F) Calculate  $E_{TEC\_MAX}$ :

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1)  $E_{TEC\_MAX} = 22.0 \text{ kWh} + 6.4 \text{ kWh} + 0.7 \text{ kWh} + 9.9 \text{ kWh}$

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2)  $E_{TEC\_MAX} = 39.0 \text{ kWh/yr}$

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G) Compare  $E_{TEC}$  to the  $E_{TEC\_MAX}$  to determine if the model qualifies:

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$40.7 \text{ kWh/yr} > 39.0 \text{ kWh/yr}$

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**Therefore, the Notebook does not meet ENERGY STAR requirements.**

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II. **Workstations:** Below is a sample  $P_{TEC}$  calculation for a Workstation with 2 hard drives and no Energy Efficient Ethernet capability.

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A) Measure values using the ENERGY STAR Computers Test Method:

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1) Off Mode = 2 W

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2) Sleep Mode = 4 W

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3) Long Idle State = 50 W

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4) Short Idle State = 80 W

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5) Max Power = 180 W

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A) Note number of Hard Drives installed: Two hard drives installed during test.

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B) Calculate  $P_{TEC}$  from power measurements and mode weightings using Equation 4:

T <sub>OFF</sub>	T <sub>SLEEP</sub>	T <sub>LONG_IDLE</sub>	T <sub>SHORT_IDLE</sub>
35%	10%	15%	40%

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1)  $P_{TEC} = (35\% \times P_{OFF} + 10\% \times P_{SLEEP} + 15\% \times P_{LONG\_IDLE} + 40\% \times P_{SHORT\_IDLE})$

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2)  $P_{TEC} = (35\% \times 2 \text{ W} + 10\% \times 4 \text{ W} + 15\% \times 50 \text{ W} + 40\% \times 80 \text{ W})$

769            3)  $P_{TEC} = 40.6 \text{ W}$

770            C) Calculate the  $P_{TEC\_MAX}$  requirement using Equation 5:

771            1)  $P_{TEC\_MAX} = 0.28 \times (P_{MAX} + N_{HDD} \times 5) + 8.76 \times P_{EEE} \times (T_{SLEEP} + T_{LONG\_IDLE} + T_{SHORT\_IDLE})$

772            2)  $P_{TEC\_MAX} = 0.28 \times (180 + 2 \times 5) + 8.76 \times 0 \times (T_{SLEEP} + T_{LONG\_IDLE} + T_{SHORT\_IDLE})$

773            3)  $P_{TEC\_MAX} = 53.2 + 0$

774            D) Compare  $P_{TEC}$  to the ENERGY STAR levels to determine if the model qualifies:

775             $40.6 \text{ W} \leq 53.2 \text{ W}$

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**Therefore, the Workstation meets ENERGY STAR requirements.**

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