

Oregon Clean Vehicle Rebate Program

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Definitions

- Household
 - All individuals who reside in the place of residence, including all family members and roommates who are not related and not part of a separate lease agreement

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Charge Ahead Rebate

Eligibility

- The rebates for the Charge Ahead Program take effect on September 29, 2019 for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles

Additional requirements

- DEQ may request information including an attestation that the person has not previously owned or leased the vehicle for which it is now requesting a Charge Ahead rebate

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Vehicle Ownership Provision

To receive a rebate, the recipient must retain ownership of the rebated vehicle for 24 months.

Current rule

- If car is sold or has lease terminated prior to 24 months, the rebate recipient must reimburse DEQ for the entire rebate amount

Proposed rule

- If car is sold or has lease terminated prior to 24 months, the rebate recipient must reimburse DEQ for a prorated amount, based on the number of months the recipient owned or leased the vehicle
 - DEQ may waive the reimbursement requirement under certain unforeseeable or unavoidable circumstances (e.g., death, car being totaled, military service)
 - Recipients would need to submit a written application for a waiver to DEQ that includes an explanation of why the waiver is appropriate.
- DEQ would review and either accept or reject waiver applications.
 - If rejected, the applicant can appeal within 60 days of the rejection

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Application Review Process

DEQ will process applications on a first-come, first-serve basis as received by DEQ; except in circumstances where a rebate recipient assigns a rebate to a vehicle dealer, or to an original equipment manufacturer, that does not have licensed franchised new automobile dealers in Oregon