

**Energy Star® (EISA Section 435) Requirements for Lease Acquisition (Last Updated: 7/13/23)**

Project / Space Type	ENERGY STAR®* Minimum Requirements (Required vs. Voluntary)	ENERGY STAR® Exceptions	In Allowable Non-ENERGY STAR® Exceptions: Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency Upgrades (In the Allowed Absence of an ENERGY STAR® rating of ≥ 75)
<p><b>New Lease Construction &gt; 10,000 RSF</b></p> <p>Building is built for federal government for lease solicitation specifying new construction only.</p>	<p><b>REQUIRED†</b></p> <p>"Designed to Earn the ENERGY STAR®" Certification (pre-award submittal requirement)</p> <p>ENERGY STAR® Rating ≥ 75 (post-award requirement)</p>	<p align="center">None</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>
<p><b>Leases &gt; 10,000 RSF</b></p>	<p><b>REQUIRED†</b></p> <p>ENERGY STAR® Rating ≥ 75‡</p>	<p>No technically acceptable ENERGY STAR® space is offered</p> <p>Agency will remain in currently-occupied space</p> <p>Building has architectural, cultural, or historic significance that is listed or eligible to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places</p>	<p><b>REQUIRED:</b></p> <p>Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency Upgrades</p>
<p><b>Leases ≤ 10,000 RSF</b></p>	<p><b>Encouraged but not required:</b></p> <p>ENERGY STAR® Rating ≥ 75</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>	<p><b>REQUIRED:</b></p> <p>Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency Upgrades</p>
<p><b>Extensions, Expansions &amp; Renewal Options</b></p>	<p><b>Encouraged but not required:</b></p> <p>ENERGY STAR® Rating ≥ 75</p>	<p align="center">N/A</p>	<p><b>Encouraged but not required:</b></p> <p>Cost-Effective Energy Efficiency Upgrades</p>

\* To have a valid ENERGY STAR® Score, the space must have earned the ENERGY STAR® label within the most recent year prior to the due date for final revisions (or, for AAAP procurements, prior to lease award).

† An ENERGY STAR® score of at least 75 is required unless an exception in Column D applies.

‡ A building that is not eligible for a current ENERGY STAR® score due to insufficient occupancy will be treated as if they have a rating of at least 75 if they meet the requirements outlined in the most recent RLP template.