



## UNDERSTANDING THE NEW 2015 HVAC EFFICIENCY STANDARDS



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### New Government Regulations on HVAC Efficiency



On January 1, 2015 the US Department of Energy (DOE) released new regulations that increase the minimum efficiency ratings required on all new air conditioners and heat pumps. The DOE regulations also include a “matching” requirement for HVAC equipment that states when a system can no longer be repaired with “like-kind parts,” all existing and new components must be compatible with the same efficiency rating as a newly manufactured system.



### How Does This Affect You?

If your HVAC system is in good working order, then you don't need to worry at this point. Where you will notice these new regulations is when it comes time to repair or replace your existing system:

- In the case of a total system failure, you will only be able to replace with a system that meets the latest efficiency standards.
- If a single component fails and can't be repaired, then that component AND any other component that directly affects the overall efficiency of the system must also be replaced with new parts that meet the latest guidelines.

**PROTECT YOURSELF**

with a Home Warranty Service Agreement that includes HVAC Plus

These new HVAC efficiency regulations can have a large financial impact on you as a homeowner as the failure of a single component can now force the replacement of multiple parts. A 2-10 HBW Home Warranty Service Agreement, with the HVAC Plus option, can help cover the broken HVAC system and some of the costs associated with bringing mismatched or incompatible systems up to code, which would otherwise be your responsibility.

### Did **YOU** Know

Experts currently estimate the cost to repair or replace an HVAC system could rise by more than 60%.



Make sure you protect yourself today by telling your real estate agent you want a Home Warranty Service Agreement with the HVAC Plus option from 2-10 Home Buyers Warranty.