



INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEW ENERGY LABEL FOR WASHING MACHINES AND DISHWASHERS



Energy efficiency has a new label.
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INTRODUCTION

The energy label has supported consumers in the search and selection of energy efficient appliances for more than 25 years. It has driven the development of innovative, energy efficient products, dramatically reducing the energy consumption and running costs of appliances. As consumers became more environmentally aware, products started to be more energy efficient, occupying the top of the scale. The top categories had to be expanded by bringing in the '+' signs, making it more difficult for consumers to identify the most energy efficient models.

Introduced on **1 March 2021** the new rescaled energy label will help you on your quest for energy efficient products

and will encourage manufactures to develop even more energy efficient technologies in the future.

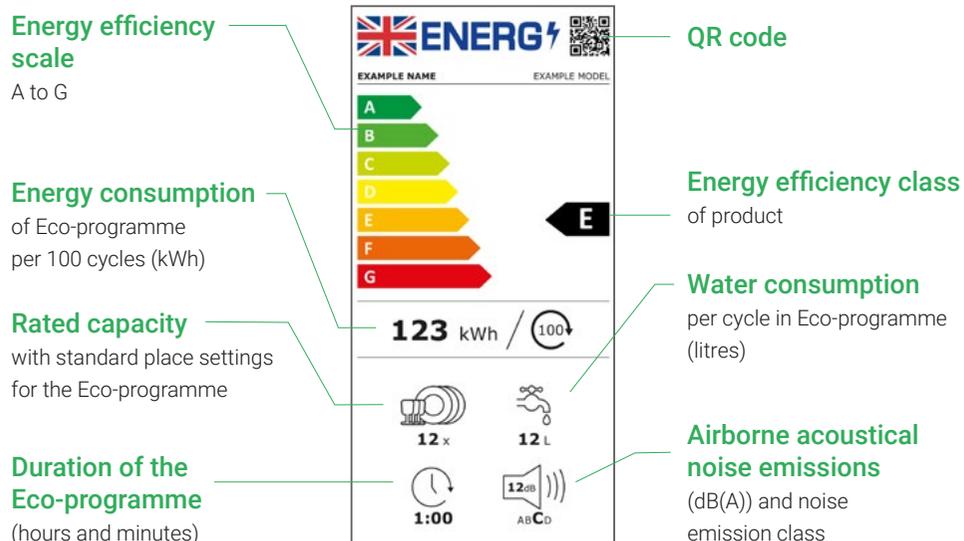
The overall design of the rescaled energy labels is very similar to the old energy labels. The main differences are the energy scale, the fact that energy consumption is no longer measured per annum but per 100 cycles, and a QR-code has been added. The QR codes links directly to a page where you can find further information about the product.

This rescale also includes household refrigerators and freezers, televisions and electronic displays. Read more on energylabel.org.uk.

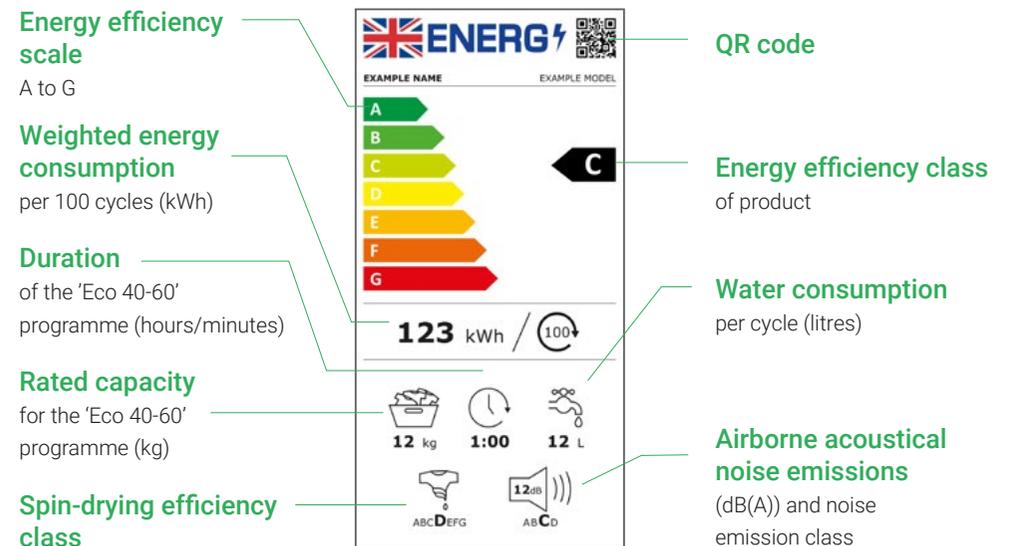
Tips for using or buying a dishwasher

- 1 Reduce energy consumption by using the eco mode or a short program with a low temperature.
- 2 Scraping the food off your dishes rather than rinsing them under the tap reduces the amount of water you use and will not impact the performance of your appliance as dishwashers can both rinse and clean. However, be sure to check the instruction manual for your model for specific guidance.
- 3 Consider the size of the dishwasher you require for your needs or home set up. If you buy a large dishwasher but never fill it up, then you may be wasting water and energy.

THE RESCALED ENERGY LABEL FOR DISHWASHERS



THE RESCALED ENERGY LABEL FOR WASHING MACHINES



Tips for using or buying a washing machine

- 1** You can reduce your machine's energy consumption by 57% when washing at 30°C or 74% when running a cold wash, compared to a 40°C cycle. However, we recommend that you wash your bedsheets, duvets, and towels at 60°C to rid them of bacteria, viruses, and fungi.
- 2** Fill your washing machine to make it as energy efficient as possible, however make sure you don't overload it as this can affect its performance. Manufacturers will provide details of correct load capacities in the instruction manual so be sure to check them. But, as a general rule of thumb, the machine is deemed full when you can fit your fist in the free space above the washing without pressing it down. Many washing machines now automatically sense the load size and add the correct amount of water.
- 3** For optimal performance, you can measure the amount of detergent and fabric softener as recommended by the manufacturer. Some machines can adjust the amount of soap based on the washing capacity.
- 4** When buying a washing machine consider the capacity that is best suited to your needs. Having a washing machine that is too big and never filled will use more water and energy, however one that is too small might mean having to run it more often.



All electrical and electronic equipment is subject to special disposal requirements. Please dispose of electrical and electronic equipment safely.

Find out more about the new energy labels at energylabel.org.uk



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