



Good news for homeowners looking to save money by installing an energy efficient metal roof this year: the Federal Property Tax Credits incentive for doing so have been retroactively extended until Dec. 31, 2020

Metal roofs have the advantage of reflecting solar heat, a quality known as solar reflectance. Roofs with a high solar reflectance value are known as cool roofs, which keep homes cool and in turn, reduce cooling energy costs. That is why the Federal Property Tax Credits incentive allows homeowners to retroactively claim tax credits from the installation of cool roofs until December 31st, 2020. Home owners may claim up to \$500 of this credit by filling out IRS form 5695.

The requirement for cool roofs in this tax credit is to meet or exceed the Energy Star program. In specific numbers, this means that low-slope roofs (2/12 pitch or lower) should have a minimum solar reflectance of 0.65 initially and 0.50 after 3 years, and steep-slope roofs (over 2/12 pitch) should have a minimum solar reflectance of 0.25 initially and 0.15 after 3 years.

Ideal Roofing offers a variety of products that meets these Energy Star requirements. The following table lists the many colors that apply for steep-slope roofs:

Perspectra Plus/Weather XL			10,000 Series, Kynar 500 for H-F Panels	Kynar 500 for Wakefield Bridge
-White (ID 8317)	-Tan (ID 8315)	-Medium Green (ID 8329)	-Cranberry Red (ID 7437)	-Alpine Evergreen
-Charcoal (ID 8306)	-Bright Red (ID 8386)	-Antique Linen (ID 8696)*	-Patina Green (ID 201)	-Volcanic Stone
-Bone White (ID 8273)	-Forest Green (ID 8307)	-Royal Blue (ID 8790)	-Maritime Grey (ID 690)	-Granite Grey
-Dark Brown (ID 8229)	-Slate Blue (ID 8260)	-International Orange (ID 8234)	-Cordovan (ID 3643)	-Espresso
-Coffee (ID 8326)	-Cambridge White (ID 8695)*	-Pacific Turquoise (ID 8258)	-Classic Copper (ID 3234)	-Caramel
-Stone Grey (ID 8305)	-Heron Blue (ID 8330)	-Mahogany (ID 8719)	-Twilight Blue (ID 3644)	-Mustang Brown
-Polar White (ID 8783)*	-Tile Red (ID 8259)	-Gold (ID 8276)	-Grey Berry (ID 3659)	-Black Mica
-Regent Grey (ID 8730)	-Metro Brown (ID 8228)		-Hartford Green (ID 3659)	-Terra Red
-Red (ID 8386)			-Winter Green (ID 3651)	-Tuscan Clay
				-Boreal Blue
				-Classic Copper

*Polar White, Cambridge White, and Antique Linen meet the Energy Star Requirements for low-slope roofs, where applicable.

Feel free to contact Ideal Roofing for more questions about the energy saving advantages of metal roofs or the Energy Star Requirements.

For more information about tax credits that may be available for cool metal roofing and requirements, visit https://www.energystar.gov/products/building_products/roof_products