

If you know the Energy Factor (EF) for the water heater select "Yes" (check the EnergyGuide label on the water heater). If you don't know the Energy Factor use the default table below to determine the approximate Energy Factor (in which case you should still select "Yes")

Water	Energy
Heater	Factor
Gas - storage tank	0.55
Electric - storage tank	0.87
Oil - storage tank	0.53
Gas - instantaneous	0.80
Electric instantaneous	1.00

The Energy Factor should be entered as a decimal (e.g. 0.55) in the "Energy Factor" field. The range of values is 0 to 3. Combustion water heaters are typically between 0.5 and 0.65 while electric water heaters are typically between 0.8 and 0.9. Heat pump water heaters will have an EF of 2.0 or more.

If you don't know the Energy Factor of the water heater, select "No" then select the year installed/manufactured for the "Year installed" field. By selecting year installed the Home Energy Score will use a representative value for similar type water heaters installed/manufactured that year. Choose 1970 for systems manufactured prior to 1970.