

## Weatherization Agency Participation in EmPower+

EmPower+ Tier 1 (Low-Income) eligible households may be served either in coordination with the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) or on a fee-for-service basis.

## A. Units Coordinated with WAP:

- a. A combined EmPower+/WAP application is available in section 3.2a of the <a href="Program Manual">Program Manual</a>.
- b. Work performed on coordinated units must conform to WAP policies and procedures.
- c. Agencies must follow WAP procedures for the audit. In addition, Agencies may install Direct Install Measures per Section 5.14 of the <u>Program Manual</u>. Direct Install measures are allowed under EmPower+ without prior Program approval.
- d. EmPower+ will fund cost-effective Direct Install/Electric Reduction measures, such as LEDs and comprehensive measures, such as attic and wall insulation, and air sealing measures.
- e. Audit fees may only be charged if EmPower+ funding is applied to energy efficiency measures.
- f. On projects where NYSERDA and WAP funds are being utilized, Participating Contractors are encouraged to maximize the use of funds to provide a whole house comprehensive project. When submitting projects, Participating Contractors should provide a note on what measures are being addressed with WAP funding.
- B. Fee-for-service units must be completed according to procedures outlined in this manual. Upon completion of work, NYSERDA reimburses the Agency according to the terms of their current agreement.

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## **Version History**

March 2025- Removed refrigerator/freezer and Appliance Exchange Agreement Language.

July 2025 – Added mention of combined WAP/EmPower+ application and removed the energy education language.

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