

## Rénoclimat eligibility criteria for residential buildings

- In the wintertime, the heating system must be able to maintain the interior living space at 22 °C.
- The heating system must be in place when the evaluation is carried out.
- All windows and doors must be in place and broken windows must be airtight (sealed) during the blower door test.
- The building envelop must be intact/completed, which includes the ceilings of the upper floor, the walls, the exposed floors as well as the doors and windows. Interior finishing and exterior siding must be completed.
- Renovations made to the rooms or certain sections of the home must only affect interior partitions (and not the building envelop).
- The permanent foundation of the house must be laid.
- There must be an incoming electrical supply with alternating current throughout the house (electrical power based on renewable sources as well as electric generators are acceptable but supply from a neighbouring home is not acceptable).
- Drinking water must be supplied by the municipality or by private sources such as wells or cisterns.
- A sewer system must be provided by the municipality, by a private septic tank or by a wastewater holding tank (exterior toilets and chemical toilets are acceptable as toilets).
- The kitchen space must include a sink, functional oven (no portable appliances) and a minimum of 6 sq. ft. of counter (and not a kitchen table).
- There must be at least one closed room with a door and one functional window that is large enough to be used for emergency evacuation purposes.
- The footprint must cover 600 m<sup>2</sup> or less.
- There must be a maximum of 3½ floors above ground.
- No commercial or industrial equipment must be used inside the building.
- Duplexes and triplexes (part of a multiple unit residential building or MURB) must meet the following criteria:
  - The building is composed of at least two dwelling spaces
  - Buildings whose structure meet the requirements of the National Building Code (parts 2 and 9) but use more than 50% of their living space for commercial or industrial purposes are excluded.