

Salt Lake City, Utah

Commercial Building Benchmarking and Market Transparency (Elevate Buildings)

As of 2020, all nonresidential buildings over 25,000 sq. ft. in Salt Lake City are required to benchmark energy usage annually. Under the Elevate Buildings programs, less efficient buildings — including those with an ENERGY STAR® Score below 49 — that are eligible for utility-sponsored energy tune-up incentives must complete a tune-up evaluation once every five years.

Learn more: <u>Program Website</u> <u>Covered Building List</u> <u>Regulation Text</u>

Covered Buildings

Commercial properties that are at least five years old and over 25,000 sq. ft. may be required to complete tune-up evaluations if they perform below the mean for their property type.

Compliance Pathways

1. Performance Pathway

A property is compliant if it has an ENERGY STAR Score of 50 or higher. If ineligible to receive an ENERGY STAR Score, it is compliant if its energy performance exceeded the average for its property type for at least two of the three years preceding the compliance due date.

2. Prescriptive Pathway

Less efficient buildings that are eligible for utility-sponsored energy tune-up incentives are required to complete an energy evaluation once every five years. Implementation of recommended tune-up measures is encouraged, but not required.



Exemptions & Provisions

The law does not apply to certain property types, including residential properties, state and federal government buildings, houses of worship, agricultural storage facilities and greenhouses, buildings used for heavy manufacturing purposes and other uses as defined by the Department of Sustainability.

If the building has a recent LEED Operations and Maintenance Certification for at least two of the three years prior to the compliance deadline, or if it has a commissioning program in place, it is not required to complete a tune-up evaluation.

Penalties & Enforcement

Following three written notices, a fine of \$500 per violation, not exceeding a total of \$1,000 annually, may be imposed on the building owner.

Yardi Energy Solutions®

Yardi offers a comprehensive suite of energy solutions that simplify compliance, enhance operational efficiency, and reduce energy costs. Our offerings include:

- <u>Utility Invoice Processing</u> Simplify the process of collecting and managing utility consumption data.
- <u>ENERGY STAR® Services</u> Streamline benchmarking, verify whole-property data and achieve ENERGY STAR Certification for your properties.
- <u>Building Performance Standards</u> Track, monitor and streamline BPS compliance.
- <u>Energy Procurement</u> Optimize energy costs and reduce carbon emissions.
- <u>Energy Efficiency</u> Improve building energy performance with real-time data and timely alerts, detect HVAC system issues and reduce energy waste.

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