



IPGA Commercial Mower Incentive Program

The Illinois Propane Gas Association (IPGA) and the Illinois Propane Education Research Council (IPERC) has approved a limited Propane Commercial Mower Incentive Program. With gasoline/diesel costs rising, environmental concerns and new engine technologies available, the time is right for lawn care and landscape specialist to consider propane as their fuel of choice.

This program like other IPGA rebate programs must be submitted by the propane marketer. **This program is available for all marketers participating in the IPERC funding.** The refueling procedures and processes and a consistent propane supplier/customer relationship will be vital to the success of this program.

The following outlines the IPGA Commercial Mower Incentive Program:

WHY COMMERCIAL PROPANE MOWERS

Propane-fueled commercial grade mowers provide benefits in cost and emission reductions. Research shows that propane engines reduce harmful emissions by one-third compared to gasoline/diesel. Other benefits include:

- Reduced fuel cost
- no theft of fuel from the tanks
- refueling ease
- less equipment maintenance
- no ground or air contamination from spillage
- and increased engine longevity

Propane also is a component in US energy security as nearly 90% of US propane supplies are produced in existing domestic facilities.

PARTICIPATION AND LIMITS

LIMIT: 10 mowers per Mower Sales Company per year

The Illinois (IPGA) Commercial Propane Mower incentive program will work as a rebate program. Purchase of any equipment described herein does not automatically guarantee incentives and not all applicants will qualify. This program is a designed to help replace conventional gasoline/diesel mowers with cleaner, propane-fueled equipment. IPGA may deny an application for any reason, even if all eligibility requirements have been met. Funding is limited and not all applications may be able to receive awards.

This program will only be offered as long as funds are available: the IPGA reserves the right to suspend the program at any time it determines funds are being exhausted.

WHO IS A GOOD CANDIDATE?

The Purchaser's fleet may include but not limited to private licensed landscape contractors, state, federal, municipalities, counties, schools, school districts and universities who are registered to do business in the State of Illinois.

QUALIFYING COMMERCIAL MOWERS

Qualifying mowers must be commercial grade walk behind, belt drive or riding units.

Original Equipment LPG Mowers / New

OEM (original equipment manufacturer) mowers which are designed to use propane gas or new mowers converted to propane prior to first use are eligible for an incentive of **\$1,000 per mower**. (Maximum of 3 rebates per company per year up to \$3,000 per company per year)

Conversions

Older mowers may be converted to propane, but the conversion must be an EPA approved or CARB certified to be eligible for an incentive of the actual cost up to **\$750 per mower**. (Maximum of \$3,000 per company per company)

APPLICATIONS

- The Purchaser shall agree to follow the equipment manufacturer's recommendations for maintenance of propane engines.
- The Purchaser shall agree that the equipment for which a rebate is provided must remain in use, in the service area, for a minimum of three years or until sold.
- On-site refueling must only be performed by persons who have been trained on the appropriate state curriculum for dispensing propane.
- The completed incentive application must be submitted within 30 days of the mower purchase. Incomplete applications will not be processed. The applications should include the:

- Completed application for each mower
- Computer-generated invoice for each mower
- Vehicle Identification Number(s) (VIN #) with this application

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

Illinois Propane Gas Association
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