



## OUR STANDARD ENERGY STAR OFFERINGS

Excel's standard package delivers many features that meet national ENERGY STAR guidelines. Additional ENERGY STAR-certified items may be added to give you enhanced energy efficiency and savings. Our standard national ENERGY STAR package includes:

- All common walls between modules are protected with a high quality gasketing system to provide an increased airtight seal between boxes.
- All exterior walls forming the thermal envelope are fully caulked at mating points to completely seal out air flow in accordance with the national ENERGY STAR requirements.
- All other penetrations of the thermal envelope such as wire ways and chases are fully caulked in accordance with the ENERGY STAR requirements.
- All wall insulation provides full six-sided contact with no voids at wires, plumbing, blocking, etc. Insulation R value to be specified on order.
- The voids between door and window jambs are fully insulated with batt insulation.
- Attic insulation to be blown in to provide full truss-to-truss contact with no voids at wires, plumbing, blocking, etc., and provide insulation in full contact with ceiling drywall.
- Floor decking is glued to exterior perimeter rails, creating an airtight seal.
- Accuvent roof baffles are provided in all soffit areas as required to provide proper airflow and maximum insulation depth.
- Basement stair walls or attic close-off walls of the thermal envelope are fully insulated according to wall thickness, caulked, glued and gasketed as per the method used for exterior walls.
- Floors with unheated spaces below such as garages are fully insulated to provide full six-sided contact.
- The edge of the floor decking on second story storage area is fully insulated.
- Tub and shower drain cutouts are fully insulated if they penetrate the thermal envelope.
- One ENERGY STAR-certified 100 cfm combo bath fan, light timer, and connection.
- A continuous backer is provided behind all tubs and showers to ensure six-sided contact with all insulation.
- All electrical boxes on the exterior walls are gasketed at the plate cover.
- All electrical boxes on the exterior walls are caulked from the rear.
- Two ENERGY STAR-certified exterior lights.
- A certified Home Energy Rater will be contracted to inspect modules at the factory site and provide an ENERGY STAR Qualified Homes Thermal Bypass Inspection Checklist.

Products that are outside of this standard package can be special ordered if you would like them in your new home. Excel Homes offers thousands of customization options, including many ENERGY STAR features that will further enhance your home's energy efficiency. Ask your builder for details. For more information about the ENERGY STAR program, visit [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).



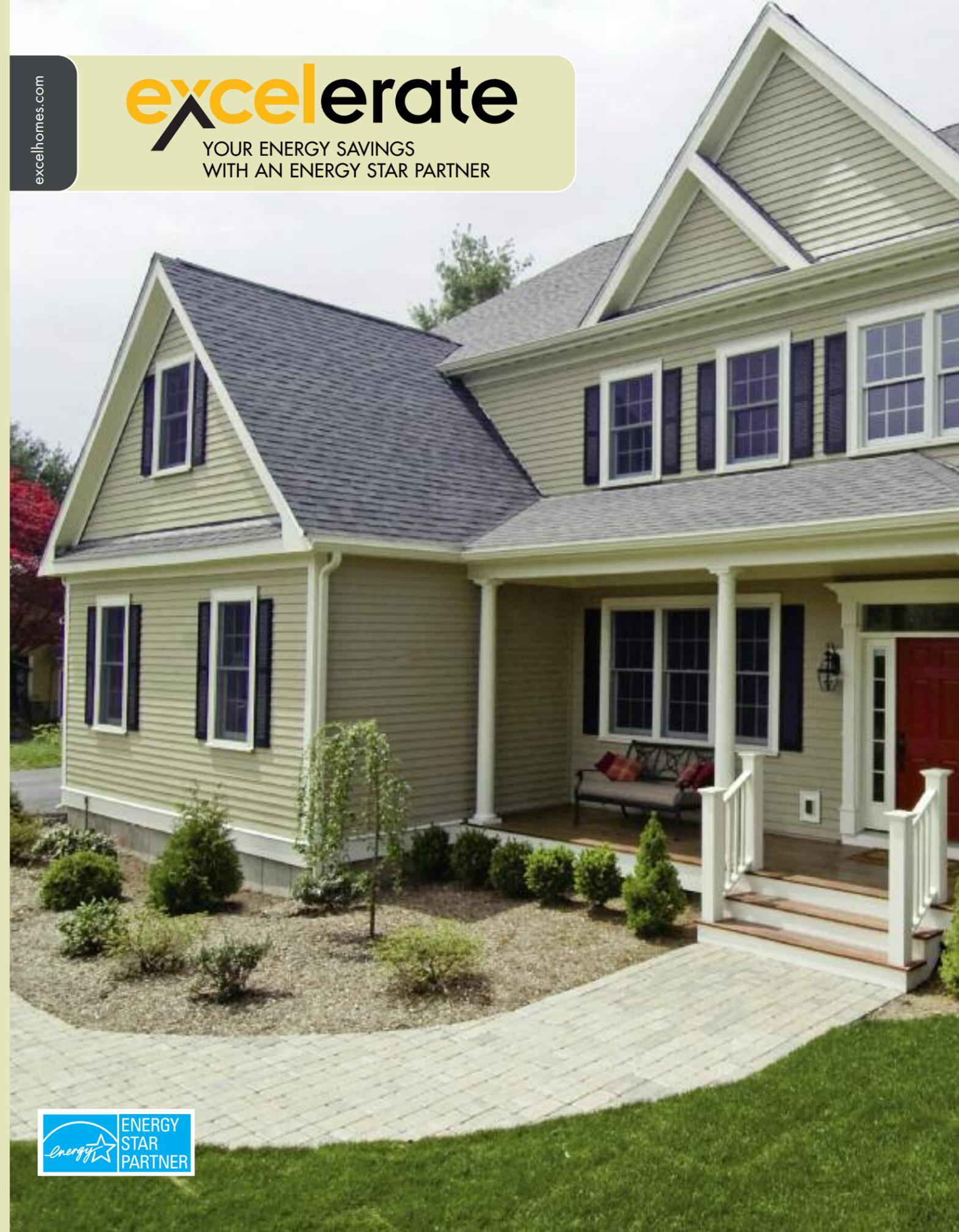
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YOUR ENERGY SAVINGS  
WITH AN ENERGY STAR PARTNER





**BUILDING A NEW HOME MAY BE THE BIGGEST INVESTMENT YOU'LL EVER MAKE.** Excel Homes wants to make sure it's not only the home of your dreams, but also a home that you'll be happy in for years to come.

That's one reason why we partner with ENERGY STAR® to provide features that will make your new home energy efficient and save you money on your utility bills. You'll also find that your Excel home is comfortable year-round, thanks to our high standards for building homes that are beautiful, strong and durable.

Excel Homes uses a variety of building products and processes that earn the ENERGY STAR label. Our homes start in our state-of-the-art factories, so we can produce much "tighter" houses than those built on-site. In fact, Excel homes operate at least 15 percent more efficiently than a standard home. To earn an ENERGY STAR label, the home must meet strict national guidelines.

ENERGY STAR is a joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy that helps us all save money and protect the environment through energy-efficient products and practices.



**WHAT ENERGY STAR MEANS FOR HOMEOWNERS.** Let's face it: If you use less energy, your monthly bills will be lower, so getting a home through an ENERGY STAR partner like Excel Homes just makes sense. You are assured that you're buying a top-rate home with energy-efficient features such as effective insulation, tight construction and high-efficiency windows. You will save money on your electric, heating and cooling bills, plus you'll be doing your part to save our precious national resources. Because the ENERGY STAR program is operated by EPA and DOE, participants such as Excel Homes must meet strict guidelines for energy efficiency.

Your new Excel home may look like a standard site-built home on the outside, but inside, you will feel the difference with a comfortable, consistent temperature throughout the house and an indoor air quality that will give you peace of mind.

**HELPING OUR ENVIRONMENT.** At Excel Homes, we care about our environment. Using skilled craftsmen, our carefully honed manufacturing processes generate very little waste. We also know our builder partners and their customers care about the environment, too. That's why we take steps to ensure our homes will use less energy right from the start.

Energy used in a home most often comes from the burning of fossil fuels at power plants. This contributes to smog, acid rain, and the risks of global warming. So when homeowners use less energy, there's less air pollution. This creates a better environment for everyone, both now and in the future.

