

The Ins & Outs of Ontario Regulation 20/17

In February 2017, the Government of Ontario passed Regulation 20/17: Reporting of Energy Consumption and Water Use, as part of the province's action plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Certain commercial, industrial and multi-residential buildings 50,000 sq. ft. or larger are now required to report their energy and water use annually.

ANNUAL REPORTING ON:

- ▶ Water
- ▶ Electricity
- ▶ Gas, and/or
- ▶ Fuel usage data

Are you required to report?



Reporting is required if you have a:

- Commercial or industrial building or a multi-residential building with more than 10 units; and
- The building is 50,000 sq. ft. or larger



You are exempt from reporting if your building is any of the following:¹

- Already reporting Greenhouse Gas Emissions under Ontario Regulation 143/16
- Occupied by public agency (>50% of building²)
- Occupied by data centre, TV studio or trading floor (>10% of building²)
- Occupied by processing facilities for manufacturing, commercial, agricultural or industrial processing (>10% of building²)
- Newly constructed with a certificate of occupancy issued in the applicable reporting year
- Less than 50% occupied in the applicable reporting year²



Deadline	Reporting on	Commercial & Industrial Buildings	Multi-residential Buildings
July 1, 2018	2017	≥ 250,000 sq. ft.	Not required
July 1, 2019	2018	≥ 100,000 sq. ft.	≥ 100,000 sq. ft.
July 1, 2020	2019	≥ 50,000 sq. ft.	≥ 50,000 sq. ft.

How to report



- Building location and ownership
- Building square footage
- Occupancy and space usage
- Annual water, electricity, gas and/or fuel usage data



Data verification must be completed in the first year and every five years by an accredited body or certified professional



Reporting is completed through Energy Star Portfolio Manager

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