

## DOE Releases ENERGY STAR Transition Labels

To help ease the move to the new ENERGY STAR criteria for 2010, on June 1st the Department of Energy (DOE) released guidance for Transition Labels for ENERGY STAR Partners.

The labels will be required on all ENERGY STAR qualified products starting October 1, 2009, and can be used through a transitional period ending March 31, 2010. The Department of Energy's new criteria for windows, doors, and skylights take effect January 4, 2010, at which time 2010 labels will become available. Please see the timeline below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Milestone</u>
June 1, 2009	Begin optional use of transition label with 2009 labels
October 1, 2009	Transition label required on all ENERGY STAR labeled products
January 4, 2010	Transition label required on all products with 2009 labels Re-qualified partners can begin using 2010 labels instead of transition/2009 label combination.
April 1, 2010	2010 labels required; Stop use of transition and 2009 labels

The labels supplement, but do not replace, 2009 ENERGY STAR labels, and must be properly affixed above current labels according to DOE guidelines. An example of correct label placement is shown to the right. For more information on proper use of Transition Labels, see the DOE's related memoranda, which can be found [here](#).

To see a picture of the transition label, please visit [this link](#).

More information about the 2010 revision and ENERGY STAR partner criteria is available on the ENERGY STAR website, [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).