

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Government Buying Standards for Fridges and Freezers

Version	Date	Notes
4.0	November 2015	Minor amendments to criteria where market availability of better performing products and/or standards and labelling have changed. Removed reference to fluorocarbons as this is now a standard legal requirement.
3.1	July 2014	Minor amendments at transition of SD in Government web pages to GOV.UK
3.0	April 2011	Introduction of mandatory specification
2.0	July 2009	Introduction of CFC legislation
1.0	May 2008	Introduction of Best Practice Specification

Mandatory level

Energy efficiency	Chest freezers, fridge freezers, upright freezers and refrigerators must have an 'A+' rating for energy efficiency.
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Best Practice Level

Energy efficiency	Chest freezers, fridge freezers, upright freezers and refrigerators must have an 'A++' rating for energy efficiency.
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Additional Information

- [Energy Savings Trust recommended appliances](#)
- Read government policy on [managing fluorinated gases and ozone depleting substances](#)