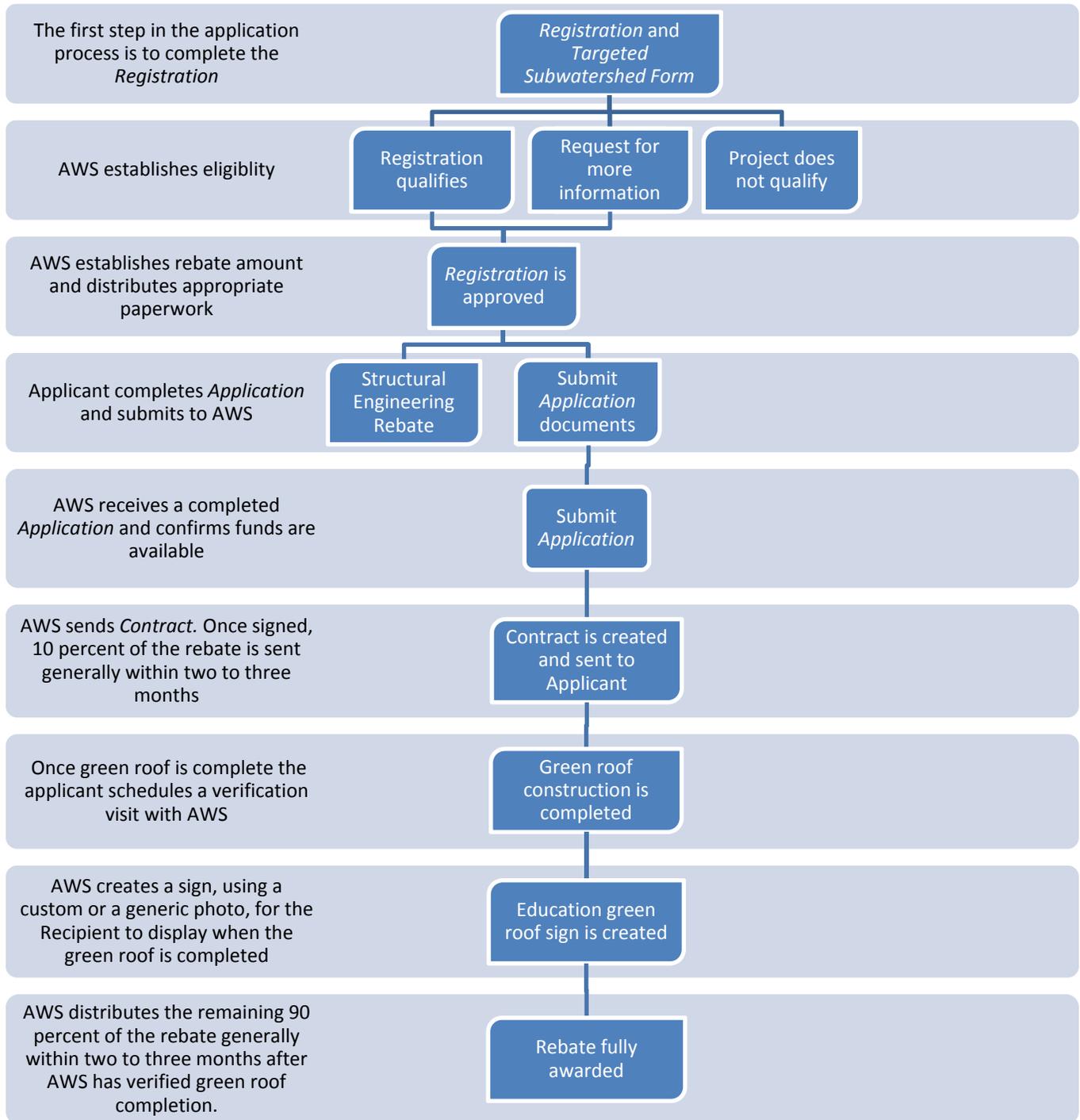


RIVERSMART ROOFTOPS

2016-2017 GREEN ROOF REBATE PROGRAM

GREEN ROOF APPLICATION PROCESS



Eligibility

The 2016-2017 RiverSmart Rooftops program started on October 1, 2016. To qualify, green roof projects must be located within the District of Columbia and retain at least 1.2 inches of stormwater. Green roof rebates are available for new construction, existing buildings, and major renovations as long as all requirements below are met.

Rebate Amounts

The 2016-2017 RiverSmart Rooftops program offers \$10 to \$15 per square foot of green roof installed based on project location. (See details below) A structural engineering rebate of up to \$250 for existing buildings smaller than 2,500 square feet is also available through a separate application process.

Districtwide

Up to \$10 per square foot is available for green roof projects located throughout the District of Columbia.

Targeted Subwatersheds

Any building located within one of seven targeted subwatersheds may qualify to receive up to \$15 per square foot. See www.AnacostiaWS.org/green-roofs and the *Targeted Subwatershed Form* for more information.

Register

- The applicant reviews program information (including subwatershed map), confirms eligibility, and registers the project with the Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS), which administers the RiverSmart Rooftops program for the Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE). AWS reviews *Registration* and either sends the *Application*, a request for additional information, or a notice of disqualification.
- To be reimbursed for the cost of a structural assessment, eligible parties (i.e., buildings smaller than 2,500 square feet) must submit the *Structural Engineering Rebate Application*.

Application and Contract Agreement

- The applicant sends a completed *Application* and a copy of their Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) permit (or confirmation that they have started the permitting process). For projects with over 5,000 square feet of land disturbance, an approved stormwater management plan is required. For new construction, the applicant must submit a RiverSmart Rooftops application at the time of their application for a stormwater management permit from DCRA to be considered for the RSR program. If the site requires a Certificate of Occupancy permit, the applicant must submit a Green Area Ratio (GAR) plan. New construction and major renovation applicants must first meet the District's stormwater management requirements and the GAR. Green roof installed in excess of these requirements may be eligible for rebates.
- Applicants may also apply separately for DOEE's RiverSmart Rewards¹, which may offer a discount of up to 55% on the DOEE Stormwater Fee included in their monthly DC Water bill, available for new and previously installed best management practices.

¹ More information about RiverSmart Rewards can be found here: <http://doee.dc.gov/riversmartrewards>.

- If the application meets all requirements, and funding is available, the application is approved and a contract is sent to the applicant. (If AWS or DOEE determine funds are no longer available, the application is kept on file and the applicant is encouraged to re-apply in the future.)
- The applicant signs the rebate contract agreement and money is set aside.
- The applicant receives the initial 10 percent of the rebate, usually within two to three months after contract submittal.
- An educational green roof sign is created for the applicant to display.

Construction, Final Rebate, and Other Financial Incentives

- The applicant constructs their green roof within six months of signing a contract agreement (or some other agreed-upon schedule in writing) and installs AWS-produced signage once the roof has been verified by AWS for complete installation.
- AWS verifies the green roof is installed and the final 90 percent of the rebate is paid to the applicant (generally two to three months after verification).

Access and Maintenance

- The applicant provides roof access to DOEE and AWS for inspection. Applicant may be asked to make roof available for a ribbon-cutting event and/or DOEE/AWS-led tours.
- Where possible, provide future public access on a regular schedule or by appointment.
- Applicant maintains green roof to assure continued optimum performance for life of building.

