

WG: Climate Change, Resilience and Sustainability 2-1

Aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050.

1. Raise “mandatory standards” of Energy Conservation of all Housings / Buildings

New Housing

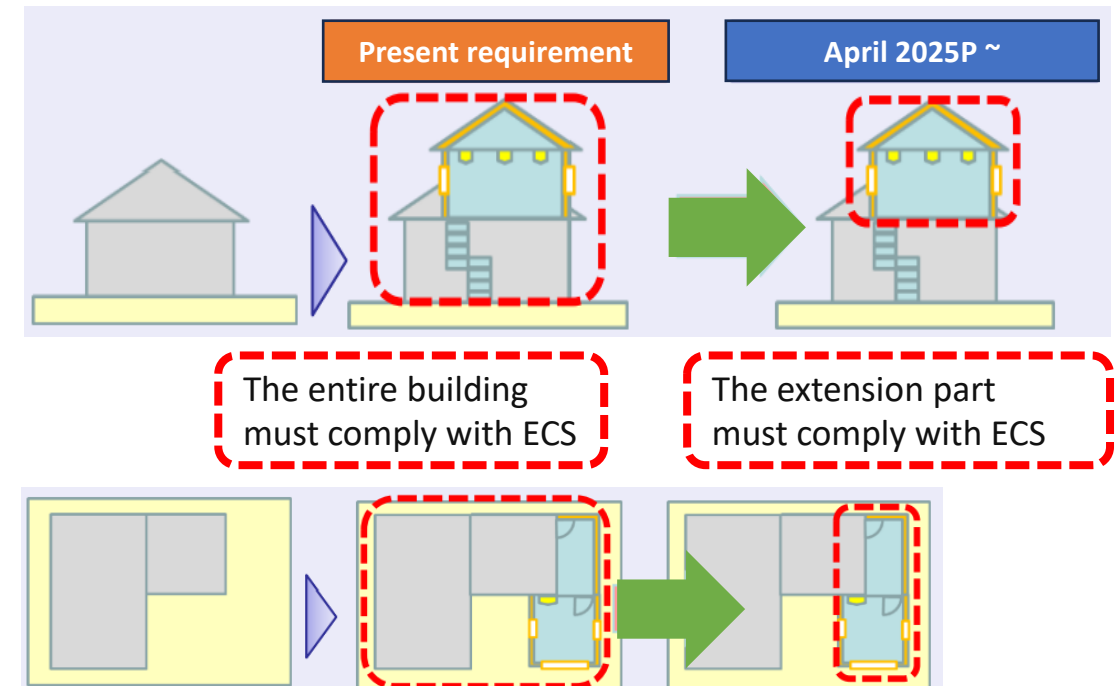
From April 2025 all new housings and small-scale buildings must comply with the 2016 version of energy conservation standards (hereafter ECS) under the amendment of the Building Energy Conservation Law.

	Present requirement			by new ECS Amendment (Adapted Sep.1/2022)	
	Non-Residential	Housing		Non-Residential	Housing
Large-scale Floor area: 2,000m ² ~	Must comply w/ ECS (April 2017 ~)	Notification obligation	➡	Must comply w/ ECS (April 2017 ~)	Must Comply w/ new ECS (April 2025 ~)
Mid-scale Floor area: 300m ² ~	Must comply w/ ECS (April 2021 ~)	Notification obligation		Must comply w/ ECS (April 2021 ~)	Must Comply w/ new ECS (April 2025 ~)
Small-scale Floor area: u 300m ²	Compliance effort obligation	Compliance effort obligation		Must Comply w/ new ECS (April 2025 ~)	Must Comply w/ new ECS (April 2025 ~)

Existing Home Renovation (Extension)

From April 2025 ECS is required for newly added parts.

*Repairs and remodeling are excluded.



will be required to install certain insulation materials, windows and equipment (such as air conditioning and lighting) that meet certain performance levels.

2. “Eco-home support project” for Child-rearing households

Supports child-rearing households and young couples, which are susceptible to soaring energy prices and other prices.
Supports energy-saving investments by child-rearing households and young couples' households.
= “the acquisition of new houses with high energy-saving performance & energy-saving renovations of houses”

Eligibility for subsidies

Initial budget for FY2024: 210B.JPY (≒\$1.35B.)

New Housing Child-rearing households, young couple households	Home Renovation
Eligible houses	Eligible renovation
①Long-term excellent housing	①Energy-saving renovation
②ZEH standard housing	②Renovation for <ul style="list-style-type: none">• child-rearing• accessibility enhancement• high performance HVAC with air purification and ventilation, etc. *Only in the case of renovation work in ①