



The Path to Becoming an Energy Rater

1. Attend Rater Training

The EnergyLogic Academy is a RESNET accredited rater training provider. Accredited rater training providers provide the training that rater candidates are required to successfully complete in order to become certified by an accredited rating provider.

Training is a vital first step in becoming part of the HERS Industry. The EnergyLogic Academy provides one of the most comprehensive trainings in the country.

- ***Please Note:*** *Training is the first step in a multi-step process and does not automatically result in certification as an Energy Rater unless all steps, outlined below, are completed.*

2. Pass the RESNET National Exams

Rater candidates must complete a series of exams after training.

- a. RESNET National Rater Exam (\$100.00) -- To pass the RESNET National Rater Exam, you must score 80% or better on the 50-question, 2-hour exam. The test can be taken as many times as necessary, but costs \$100 per session – this price is not included in EnergyLogic’s Energy Rater Training tuition.
- b. RESNET Combustion Safety Testing Written Exam (\$50.00) -- The multiple choice examination consists of 25 questions and a 2 hour time limit. The passing grade 80% or higher
- c. RESNET Combustion Safety Practical Exam (\$199.00) – The RESNET Combustion Safety Field Examination is provided via 3-D interactive simulation. The simulation exam will be delivered over the internet and proctored by a RESNET Training Provider. As part of the simulation exam fee (\$199), all candidates will receive complimentary access to a 1 month training simulation program called RESCAZ. The simulated exam must be passed with an 85% or higher.

All exams can be purchased through the EnergyLogic Academy.

3. Complete Two (2) Mandatory Supervised Ratings Under the Guidance of a RESNET Accredited Rater Training Provider

Students who have gone through EnergyLogic’s Energy Rater Training will have gained the necessary background in the energy modeling software (REM/Rate™) and collected all the data necessary to complete the Supervised Ratings.

Those who have completed the online course will need to find a RESNET Accredited Training Provider that offers supplemental field training to complete the Supervised Ratings. The EnergyLogic Academy hosts regular field trainings to meet this need: <http://energylogicacademy.com/course-descriptions/professional-certifications/hers-rater/>

4. Contract with a RESNET Accredited Rating Provider

The Energy Rating industry is governed by RESNET. The industry is structured to ensure a high level of quality assurance. With that in mind, Energy Raters must work through a Rating Provider. Providers are listed on the RESNET website: <http://www.resnet.us/programs/providers/default.htm>.

Look for a Rating Provider that will provide you with a high level of assistance and will help you to develop a successful rating business. Providers offer widely varying levels of service with regard to technical support, business development, and business management tools.

Rating Providers must have Energy Raters sign a Rater Agreement that outlines the mutual responsibilities and obligations of the Rater and the Rating Provider, as well as the fees due to the Rating Provider by the Rater. Please visit our website for more information on choosing a Rating Provider:
<http://www.nrglogic.com/provider.shtml>.

5. Perform Mandatory Probationary Ratings

The RESNET Standards require that new Energy Raters perform **at least 3 Probationary Ratings** that are reviewed by the Rating Provider. After completing these Ratings successfully and the Rater Provider agrees that the Rater is prepared, the Rater Provider will then certify the Rater and issue appropriate documentation and permissions to use software to perform energy ratings.

As of 2014 *one of the probationary ratings must be completed one-on-one with your provider's RESNET QAD*. If you choose EnergyLogic as your RESNET Provider please contact us prior to enrolling in the course. We will make every effort to conduct this probationary rating in the days after your field training in order to reduce costs.

6. Keep Up With Mandatory Quality Assurance and Continuing Education Requirements

RESNET Standards require that a Rating Provider perform “paper” Quality Assurance on a minimum of 10% of all energy ratings and that a minimum of 1% of ratings, or 1 in 100 ratings, receive a “field” Quality Assurance check. The details of these Quality Assurance requirements are set by each Rater Provider, with approval from RESNET, in the certification process. All of these additional processes typically require fees that are paid to the Rating Provider after training.

Certified Energy Raters must complete a total of 18 hours of RESNET-approved Professional Development credits each renewal period, or every 3 years.

For more information on becoming a RESNET Rater, please visit RESNET's website:
<http://www.resnet.us/professional/>