



GAS RULE NO. 19
MEDICAL BASELINE QUANTITIES

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A. GENERAL

If you are a residential customer, you are assigned a Baseline quantity. This quantity is the number of therms of gas you may purchase at PG&E's lowest residential rate.

If you or a full-time resident in your home depends on gas for certain medical needs, you may qualify for a Standard Medical Baseline Quantity in addition to your regular Baseline quantity. The Standard Medical Baseline Quantity is 0.82192 therms per day year-round. In other words, you may be able to purchase an additional 0.82192 therms of gas per day (the equivalent of 25 therms per month) at a lower rate. The Standard Medical Baseline Quantity used for automated billing is calculated using the unrounded quotient of the following equation: 300 therms per year divided by 365 days. Any billing that requires hand calculations will use 0.82192 therms per day. (T)

If the extra 25 therms does not meet your medical needs, you may apply for Additional Medical Baseline Quantities, as explained in Part F below.

B. ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for a Standard Medical Baseline Quantity, you must certify in writing that you or a full-time resident in your home is:

- dependent on a life-support device (as defined in Part D below) used in the home or
- a paraplegic, hemiplegic, or quadriplegic person, or a multiple sclerosis patient with special heating and/or cooling needs or
- a person being treated for a life-threatening illness, or a person with a compromised immune system with special heating and/or cooling needs to sustain the life of the person or prevent deterioration of the person's medical condition or
- a scleroderma patient with special heating needs.

(Medical conditions other than multiple sclerosis, scleroderma, paraplegia, hemiplegia, quadriplegia, a life-threatening illness, or having a compromised immune system may also qualify customers for medical quantities for heating or air conditioning. Any such situations will be reviewed on an individual basis.)

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B. ELIGIBILITY (Cont'd.)

If you believe that you qualify, please visit pge.com/medicalbaseline to learn more about the Medical Baseline Program eligibility requirements and apply online. . (T)
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You can also download and print a copy of "Medical Baseline Program Application," Form No. 62-3481 on pge.com/tariffs. (N)
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You can also request an application form in alternate formats and obtain more information about the Medical Baseline Program by contacting your local PG&E office or calling PG&E at [1-800-743-5000](tel:1-800-743-5000). (T)
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Qualified medical practitioners include licensed physicians, surgeons, physician assistants practicing as a part of the customer's physician team in compliance with the Physician Assistant Practice Act, persons licensed pursuant to the Osteopathic Initiative Act per California Public Utilities Code §739 or nurse practitioners per California Public Utilities Codes & §779.3. (N)
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C. RECERTIFICATION

Customers certified by their qualified medical practitioner as having a permanent qualifying medical condition will need to self-certify their eligibility every two years using the "Medical Baseline Program Self-Certification," Form No. 61-0502, to ensure their continued residence at the service address, but will not need a qualified medical practitioner's signature. (T)
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Customers not having a permanent qualifying medical condition will complete a Self-Certification after the first year using the "Medical Baseline Program Self-Certification," Form No. 61-0502, and will be required to "recertify" with a medical practitioner's signature using the "Medical Baseline Program Application," Form No. 62-3841, for the following year. Note: This cycle of self-certification followed by recertification repeats for as long as the customer is enrolled in the program. (T)
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D. LIFE-SUPPORT DEVICES

A life-support device is any medical device necessary to sustain life or relied upon for mobility. To qualify under this rule, the device must be used in the home and must run on gas delivered by PG&E. (For devices that run on electricity, see Rule 19 in the tariff schedule for electricity.) Please visit pge.com/medicalbaseline for a list of qualifying medical devices. (N)
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E. HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING

Special heating and/or air-conditioning needs will qualify you for a Standard Medical Baseline Quantity under this rule only if your main source of energy for heating or air conditioning is gas delivered by PG&E. (If your main source of energy for heating or air conditioning is electricity, please see Rule 19 in the tariff schedule for electricity.)

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F. ADDITIONAL MEDICAL BASELINE QUANTITIES

If you believe that more than the Standard Medical Baseline Quantity of 0.82192 therms per day is needed to operate the life-support device(s) in your home or maintain the temperature required by the qualifying medical condition, you may apply for additional medical quantities. Please contact PG&E at 1-800-743-5000 for assistance.

If PG&E finds that you need more than the standard 0.82192 therms per day, it will increase your daily Medical Baseline Quantity. In determining how many Additional Quantities you will be assigned, PG&E will round its calculation of your total daily therm medical needs up to the nearest increment of 0.82192 therms.

G. MEDICAL BASELINE QUANTITIES FOR MASTER-METERED CUSTOMERS

Residential tenants of master-metered customers can also qualify for Medical Baseline Quantities. If one or more of your tenants have a medical condition that qualifies under the conditions listed above, please visit pge.com/medicalbaseline or contact your local PG&E office to find out how to apply.

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If you submeter your tenants, any Medical Baseline Quantities must be passed on to the qualifying tenant(s) when you bill tenants for the gas they use.