

BESO 2026 Compliance Flowchart

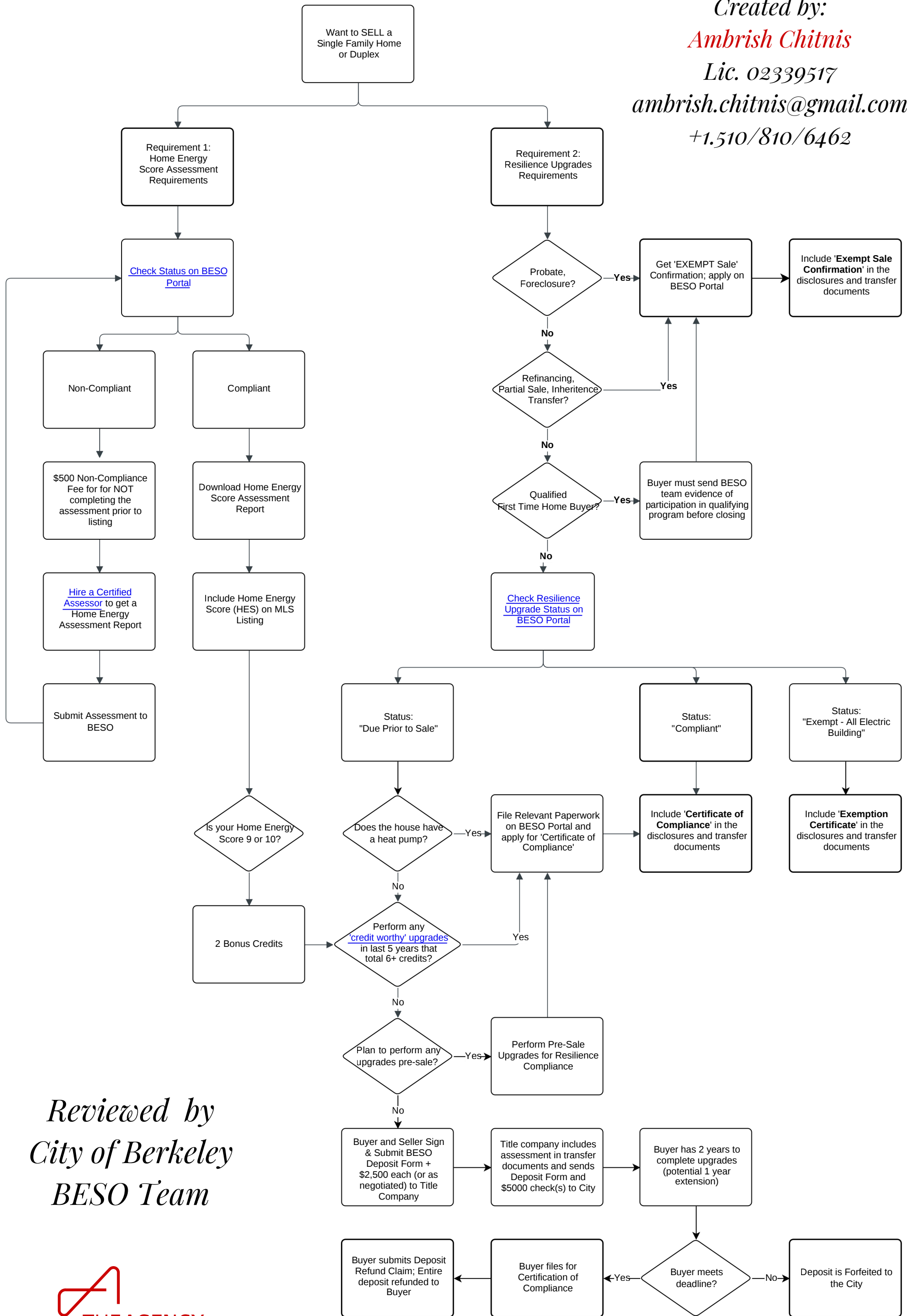
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BESO Compliance Resilience Upgrade Credits & Costs

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Upgrade	Credits	Cost
Heat Pump Water Heater	6	\$6,000–\$12,000
Heat Pump HVAC	6	\$12,000–\$25,000
Knob & Tube Replacement with Pre-Wiring	6	\$5,000–\$50,000
Smart Service Panel	6	\$2,000–\$6,000
Electrical Service Panel Upgrade	6	\$2,000–\$10,000+
Solar PV	3	\$12,000–\$30,000+
Battery Energy Storage System	3	\$8,000–\$20,000+
EV Charger	2	\$500–\$2,000
Electric or Induction Range	2	\$800–\$3,000
Window Replacements (50–75% of windows)	2	\$5,000–\$15,000+
Window Replacements (75%+ of windows)	4	\$5,000–\$15,000+
High Home Energy Score (9 or 10)	2	Varies
Wall Insulation (50–75% of walls)	2	\$3,000–\$8,000
Wall Insulation (75%+ of walls)	4	\$8,000–\$15,000
Attic Insulation	2	\$1,500–\$4,000
HVAC Duct Improvements	2	\$1,000–\$3,000
Whole-house Fan	2	\$800–\$2,000
Electric Clothes Dryer (Heat Pump)	2	\$1,000–\$2,000
Electric Clothes Dryer (Resistive)	1	\$400–\$800
Prewiring & 240V Receptacles (3+ circuits)	2	\$1,000–\$3,000
Prewiring & 240V Receptacles (1–2 circuits)	1	\$300–\$1,000
Floor/Crawlspace Insulation	1	\$1,500–\$4,000
Greywater System	1	\$1,000–\$4,000
Air Sealing	1	\$500–\$1,500

Notes

- Cost estimates are typical ranges before incentives/rebates and may vary by home and contractor.
- “High Home Energy Score” does not have a cost because it depends on the assessor and report, not a specific physical upgrade.

Resources

- [City of Berkeley: Time-of-Sale Energy Requirements for Small Residential Properties](#)
- [The Switch is On: Making Home Electrification Easy](#)
- [California Energy-Smart Homes Program: incentives to replace gas appliances](#)
- [City of Berkeley’s Permitting Page](#)
- [City of Berkeley’s Permit Service Center](#)

