



## **Bee?s Knees Plumbing & Heating Announces High-Efficiency Tankless Water Heater Installations in Kelowna and Vernon**

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Bee?s Knees Plumbing & Heating is expanding its installation services to include high-efficiency Rinnai tankless water heaters. As more households look for practical ways to improve comfort and manage rising energy costs, demand-type systems are becoming a strong alternative to traditional storage tanks for reliable, on-demand hot water.

?Many homeowners are frustrated with running out of hot water or waiting for a tank to recover,? says the team at Bee?s Knees Plumbing & Heating. ?Rinnai tankless systems are designed to address those issues while also reducing overall energy use and freeing up space where a large tank used to sit.?

A tankless water heater is a straightforward way to upgrade both comfort and efficiency. Instead of storing a large volume of water and reheating it throughout the day, a Rinnai unit heats water only when a hot tap is opened. This reduces the need to plan showers, laundry, and dishwashing around recovery times and helps

keep hot water availability more consistent for everyday use.

Because the system operates on demand, the potential for energy savings is significant. Natural Resources Canada estimates that water heating accounts for about 17% of the energy used in the average Canadian home, second only to space heating. Rinnai's product literature and retailer data indicate that its tankless water heaters can use up to 40% less energy than a traditional tank-style water heater by eliminating the constant heating and reheating of stored water. For many homes, that combination targeting a large energy load with a more efficient technology translates into noticeable reductions in monthly utility bills over time.

In operation, the difference from a conventional tank is simple. When a hot water fixture is opened, cold water flows through the unit, where a gas burner or electric element heats it as it passes through the heat exchanger. Within seconds, water at the set temperature is delivered to the tap, shower, or appliance. When the fixture is closed, the unit shuts down and stops using energy. This demand-based approach avoids the standby losses associated with keeping 40 or 50 gallons of water hot around the clock and aligns with independent descriptions of tankless technology from industry and government sources.

With proper sizing, a single tankless unit can serve multiple fixtures during typical daily routines, and the compact, wall-mounted design reduces the footprint required for hot water equipment. The absence of a large stored volume of hot water also lowers the risk of catastrophic tank failures and major leaks, which are more closely associated with aging storage-type heaters. Third-party reviews and technical summaries note that Rinnai tankless water heaters are commonly expected to last around 15-20 years, compared with roughly 8-12 years for many standard tank models, extending the period over which efficiency and performance benefits are realized.

Upgrading from a tank to a Rinnai tankless system follows a clear process. It begins with an in-home assessment, where a licensed technician evaluates the current water heater, venting and gas or electrical service, the layout of the home, and typical hot water demand. Based on those findings, the homeowner receives recommendations on an appropriately sized Rinnai model and configuration so the system is matched to actual usage rather than overspecified or undersized.

Once a unit is selected, the existing heater is removed and disposed of, and the new tankless system is installed to current code and manufacturer standards. This includes any required changes to venting, gas lines, electrical connections, and water piping. After installation, the technician tests the system at key fixtures and walks the homeowner through operation, basic maintenance expectations, and how the unit's features support efficiency such as only running when hot water is required or using advanced controls and heat exchanger design to minimize wasted energy.

Many residents choose Bee's Knees Plumbing & Heating tankless water heaters based on its licensing,

insurance, and experience with plumbing and heating systems in the local housing stock. The company focuses on clear scope-of-work descriptions and pricing before installation begins and works with Rinnai models that publish performance data such as Uniform Energy Factor (UEF), flow rates, and expected lifespan. Independent testing and consumer guides have identified Rinnai among the leading brands in the tankless category, citing reliability and broad availability of parts and service in North America.

For households considering replacement of an aging tank, planning a renovation, or looking to reduce energy consumption in one of the home's most intensive categories, a Rinnai tankless water heater offers an evidence-based alternative to traditional storage systems. When properly sized and installed, the result is consistent hot water, reduced standby energy use, and a system designed to stay in service for significantly longer than many conventional tanks.

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