

News & Information

Find out about new industries, conversations debates about products, information about seasonal products, tips on saving money, safety, and more. The latest news articles are located on the home page but you can select "News" from the top left toolbar and go through older articles. You can also sign up to be a part of the Consumer Reports newsletter on this page.

If you hover over "Product Reviews" on the top left and hover over options in the first column, you will see the option of "News" on the far right of the menu. This will allow you to keep up to date on the product you are investing your money into.

Videos

If you hover over "Product Reviews" on the top left and hover over options in the first column, you will see the option of "Videos" on the far right of the menu. You can access the Video Index by scrolling to the bottom of the website, locating the "Our Site" section and choosing "Video Index." You can also access these videos on the Consumer Reports YouTube channel.

Notices

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Trusted Product Reviews



Compare ratings to find your best option
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Consumer Reports

Consumer Reports is your place to get unbiased product reviews. The nonprofit organization has been rating & reviewing since 1936 and puts over 4,000 products through detailed testing every year. All these reviews (and more) is now available online!

Access

Inside of the library, anyone can access the Consumer Reports website.



Outside of the library, you will be required to enter you library barcode in order to access the Consumer Reports website.

Canada Extra

Scroll to the bottom of the website, locate the "**Our Site**" section and select "**Canada Extra.**"

A screenshot of the Consumer Reports website. On the left, there is a photograph of a red and black push lawn mower. To the right of the photo, the text reads 'Lawn mowers' in blue, followed by 'See which lawn mowers have the features you want.' Below this, there are four links: 'Overview', 'Ratings' (with a red star icon), 'Recommended', and 'Buying Guide'.

The content in this part of the website have a Canadian focus. The products rated and links to consumer protection agencies. This makes sure you are protected and have the most relevant information and access to ratings for products you have access to.

Search & Browse

To search for a specific product, use the magnifying glass on the top right to run a basic search. This is great if you know you're looking to purchase a specific product like a tablet or refrigerator. If you are on the home page, there is a basic search bar in the top centre of the screen that will auto complete as you type.

To browse the list of products available, hover over "Product Reviews" on the top left to get a drop down menu. If you are on the home page, there is also an "All Products A-Z" option beside the search bar that you can click.

Recommended & Guides

When you select a product, you can get recommendations that Consumer Reports puts together based on certain factors and their overall score.

Find the product you are looking into and select "Recommended" on the top right to find out what category fits you and see what products are recommended. You can compare them as well as get the full breakdown on how the overall score was achieved.

You can select "Buying Guide" from the upper right to get a list of things for you to consider when purchasing a certain product.

Compare

When in the "Ratings" or "Recommended" sections of a product, you can select the "+Add to Compare" button which will allow to to compare the features and information of up to three versions of a product. This makes it easier to compare the specific feature and remove those that won't work for you. No need to look at models of a product you know that you won't purchase!