

LOWER YOUR ENERGY BILL

Top 10 Low Cost Steps You Can Do This Winter

1. Caulk and weatherstrip around windows and doors to stop air leaks. Seal any gaps in floors and walls around pipes and electrical wiring.
2. Change filters monthly. Install a “filter whistle” to let you know when to change them.
3. Replace incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescents.
4. Repair air leaks and seal and insulate heating system ductwork.
5. Add insulation to your attic, crawl space and any accessible exterior walls. Add pipe insulation to first 5 feet of water pipe coming from your water heater. Install light switch and electrical outlet seals on exterior walls.
6. Install an ENERGY STAR® programmable thermostat appropriate for your type of heating system and set it at 68°F for heating.
7. Look for the ENERGY STAR® label when replacing large or small appliances.
8. Wrap your water heater with insulation or install an insulating blanket.
9. Install aerating, low-flow faucets and showerheads & repair leaky faucets.
10. Use power strips for home electronics, and turn off power strips when equipment is not in use. TV’s and DVD players etc. still use power when the switch is off.

