



NO-Cost Energy Efficiency Tips

1. Keep thermostat on auto @ 68 in the winter, and on auto @ 78 in the summer
2. If you have a heat pump only move the temperature setting 1 or 2 degrees @ a time
3. Clean HVAC cooling coils (with power off to unit)
4. Trim or remove bushes from around the AC outdoor unit
5. Set water heater temperature @ 120 (with power off to unit)
6. Check hot water heater elements (make sure power is off to unit) replace element if need
7. Check hot water heater pop off valve (sometimes it can open and not close back)
8. Use ceiling fans
9. Take short showers
10. Use cold water for laundry
11. Check clothes dryer hose, and the outside vent for obstructions
12. Turn off lights, televisions and computers when not in use
13. During the day, keep south-facing curtains open and north-facing ones closed
14. Clean refrigerator coils, and set temperature @ 36-39
15. Make sure fireplace damper is closed when not in use
16. Match pot/pan size to that of stove burner, and cover with lids when cooking
17. Drain about one gallon of water from water heater each year to remove sediment
18. Air-dry dishes instead of using dish-washer's heat-drying option
19. Limited use of electric space heaters
20. Don't use appliances to heat or cool the house
21. Back wash pool pump @ 20 PSI or higher
22. Clean drain area in pool and filter baskets

LOW-Cost Energy Efficiency Tips

1. Caulk/weather strip around windows and doors; seal gaps in floors and walls around pipes and wiring
2. Change HVAC filters monthly
3. Install a HVAC filter whistle to let you know when to change the filter
4. Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent lighting
5. Repair HVAC air leaks; seal and insulate HVAC system ductwork
6. Add insulation to attic, crawl space and any accessible walls
7. Insulate attic pull down door
8. Insulate attic fan area when not in use
9. Install a programmable HVAC system thermostat (with power off to unit)



10. Buy Energy Star labeled appliances when replacing them
11. Wrap hot water heater with insulated blanket
12. Install aerating, low flow faucets and showerheads
13. Repair any water leaks and/or running toilets
14. Install a timer for outdoor lighting
15. Install sun control window film
16. Upgrade windows and doors to higher efficiency
17. Install crawl space vapor barrier