

SIMPLE, ENERGY-EFFICIENT CHANGES FOR YEAR-ROUND COMFORT, LOWER BILLS AND A GREENER HOME

FALL & WINTER

SET IT & FORGET IT

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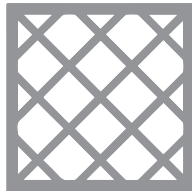
EFFICIENT EATS

Microwaves, slow cookers and toaster ovens use up to half the energy of a conventional oven.



REPLACE FILTERS

Help reduce furnace fan energy use by replacing furnace filters every three months.



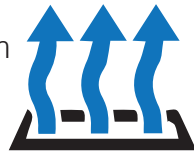
SEAL AIR LEAKS

Caulk, draft-proof and weatherstrip doors and windows to keep heat from escaping.



CLEAR THE WAY

Ensure heating vents are free from furniture, appliances or other objects that can block airflow.



REVERSE ROTATION

In colder months, set ceiling fan blades to run clockwise to help push warm air downward.



EARLY OFF

Turn the oven off 10-15 minutes before you are done cooking – food will continue to cook.



CLOSE THE DAMPER

Have a fireplace? Cover the flue damper when not in use to avoid air leaks and heat loss.



CLEAN COILS

Vacuum your refrigerator's coils to help it run more efficiently and extend compressor life.



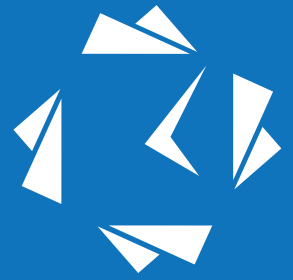
GET A TUNE-UP

Have a qualified technician inspect your HVAC system annually to ensure it's running efficiently.



GOING OUT OF TOWN?

- Schedule vacation dates on your smart or programmable thermostat.
- Set lights on timers to make it look like you are home.
- Unplug electronics, especially computers, game consoles, printers and TVs.
- Fill up your fridge with water jugs – it runs more efficiently when full.



SPRING & SUMMER

KEEP THE HEAT OUT

Reduce unwanted heat by keeping shades and blinds closed during the day.



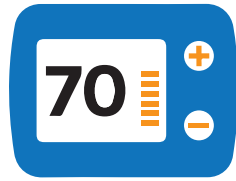
UPGRADE TO LED LIGHTBULBS

They're 75% more efficient and run cooler than standard lightbulbs, reducing the need for air conditioning.



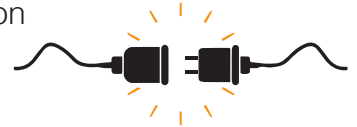
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UNPLUG ELECTRONICS

Electronics such as game consoles and PVRs can use more energy on standby mode than in regular use.



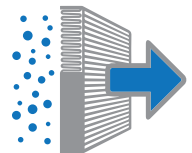
FAN OUT

Set ceiling fans to rotate counter-clockwise to help keep cool air pushed down.



FOCUS ON THE FILTER

If you're using a room air conditioner, clean the air filters once per season minimum – more frequently if you have pets. Dirty filters reduce airflow and system efficiency.



GRILL OUTDOORS

Reduce electricity use by firing up the BBQ. Cooking outside also keeps the kitchen cool, reducing the need for air conditioning.



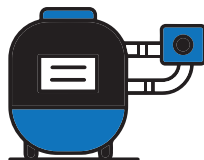
DRY ON THE LINE

Use a clothesline or drying rack to reduce energy use and heat gain.



PUMP IT UP

Opt for a high-efficiency pool pump, which uses up to 90% less electricity.



DO ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

Schedule a checkup of your cooling equipment with a licensed contractor.

