

11 Top Energy-Saving Tips

As we move into Time-or-Use pricing, savvy customers will be looking for ways to shift load and reduce consumption.

1 Time-shift dishwashing to the green zone. Try using your dishwasher either early in the morning or in the evenings. Also cut down on power by air drying, instead of using the dryer.

2 Can you time-shift laundry to the weekend? Weekends are all green. Try washing your clothes in cold water to save hot water costs.

3 Consider caulking and weatherstripping. Plugging up air leaks is relatively inexpensive and delivers a great return, summer and winter. Look for cracks around windows and door frames. Also check the sill plate, where your home's foundation meets the frame. It could be a big source of air leaks.

4 Find your top 10 locations for LED bulbs. It pays to replace your most frequently used incandescent bulbs with LEDs. They use a fraction of the power and last for many years of normal use.

5 Use a programmable thermostat to reduce energy use. Install a programmable thermostat to automate your heating and cooling. It makes it easier to reduce your energy use when you're not at home and when you're sleeping.

6 Use your appliances wisely. An uncrowded fridge works more efficiently than a crowded one. However, freezers work best

when they are two-thirds full. When you're using the dishwasher, wait to do a full load. A half-empty dishwasher uses the same amount of energy as a full one.

7 Use "smart" power bars, so you're not paying for "always on". Even when they're off, computers, printers, TVs and sound systems use standby power. That can account for 5 to 15% of all power used. Smart power bars shut off most standby power and you won't notice any difference in performance.

8 Get an energy audit done for your house. An energy audit helps you get more for each energy dollar. The Home Assistance Program offers help to low income homeowners, tenants and social or assisted housing providers. Call 1-877-279-5341 to find out if you qualify.

9 Round up the power hog fridge in the basement. Do you have an old refrigerator or freezer in the basement? Did you know it could be costing you \$120 to \$150 a year for electricity? Call 1-877-797-9473 and book an appointment to have it removed for free. This program will not be offered in 2015, so be sure to call soon.

10 Shop Smart. Buying appliances? Learn how to read Energyguide labels and look for Energy Star Qualified appliances.



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Once the device is installed, it can be remotely adjusted to slightly reduce your air conditioner's electricity demand. This will occur only in the event that the province is close to reaching an abnormally high peak in electricity consumption.