



Every day, whether you rent or own a home, these DIY tips can help you save natural gas.

- In winter, set your thermostat at or below 68° during the day and 65° at night.
- Regularly replace the air filters on your HVAC system (at least once a month).
- Run your ceiling fan clockwise during the colder months to force cool air up and warmer air down. Run ceiling fans counter-clockwise in the summer to circulate cooler air.
- Clear your vents by moving furniture, blinds, and carpets to increase airflow. Vacuum or dust your vents to help get rid of pollen, dust, and pet dander.
- Seal up gaps in baseboards, behind outlet and switch covers, and behind the trim surrounding windows and doors with caulk or foam sealant and add weather stripping to reduce drafts.
- Decrease the temperature on your water heater to 120°.
- Replace old or worn-out toilet flappers to fix leaks.
- Take shorter showers instead of baths. Turn off the water while brushing your teeth or shaving.
- Install aerators on your bathroom faucets. Only run full loads in your dishwasher and washing machine.
- Inspect your attic access and insulation to make sure the opening is sealed and insulated well to prevent energy loss.
- Make sure your chimney is properly sealed and the flue is tightly closed when not in use to reduce your energy consumption year-round.

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Insulation and Air Sealing

Reducing the amount of air leaks in and out of your home is an easy way to cut heating costs. Work with a qualified contractor to reduce air leakage and improve your home's insulation.

Rebates

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Smart Thermostat

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Rebates

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