

# Household Maintenance Energy-Saving Tips

## Winter Warmth (December - February)

- Use LED holiday lights.
- Seal ducts using duct tape or mastic.
- Upgrade to smart thermostats.
- Reverse ceiling fans to rotate clockwise and push warm air down.
- Consider installing a heat pump to both heat and cool your home.
- Get an engine block heater controller.

## Spring Cleaning (March - May)

- Schedule a professional check-up to service your HVAC system.
- Seal windows and doors.
- Plant shade trees for natural cooling and shading.
- Upgrade to LED bulbs.

## Summer Savings (June - August)

- Set your thermostat a few degrees higher when you're away.
- Use ceiling fans to distribute cool air.
- Cook on a grill or microwave more often to reduce indoor heat.
- Install solar screens, blinds or curtains to block out the sun's rays.
- Run the dryer and dishwasher at night on hot days.

## Fall Focus (September - November)

- Clean debris from gutters to prevent blockages and water damage.
- Inspect or install heat tape and heat tape timers to prevent ice buildup.
- Inspect insulation to ensure your home is properly insulated, especially in the attic.
- Program your thermostat to lower temperatures at night for a cozier sleep.
- Seal cracks around windows, doors and any visible gaps with caulking.
- Schedule furnace maintenance to ensure your heating system is running efficiently.
- Move any furniture blocking intakes or heat registers.

## Year-Round Tips

- Unplug chargers and appliances.
- Use energy-efficient appliances: Look for the ENERGY STAR® label when purchasing.
- Regularly change HVAC and water filters on schedule.
- Insulate your tank-style water heater to reduce heat loss.
- Consider a home energy audit to identify areas for improvement.
- Set your water heater to 120° and use efficient showerheads.

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