

Saving money on your energy bills means following energy-saving practices around your home. This list of ideas and information can help you make saving energy—and saving on energy costs—easier and more effective.

### **Top 10 Electricity Saving Tips**

**For one month...**

1. Replace five lights with ENERGY STAR® light bulbs and save 62 kwh for a total savings of \$9.
2. Turn off lights, appliances, TVs, stereos, computers, when not in use. You will save 58 kwh and \$9.
3. If you have a large television (greater than 32"), turn it off when not watching. You can save 50 kwh and \$8.
4. Unplug your electric space heater or hot tub and save \$41 (or 270 kwh).
5. Unplug and recycle your old, second refrigerator and you can save \$23 (150 kwh).
6. Washing your clothes in cold water can save you 63 kwh—or \$9.
7. Repair leaky faucets and save on your electric hot water. You can save 40 kwh or \$6.
8. Unplug chargers, laptops, anything with remote control or “instant on” features and save \$4 (29 kwh).
9. On your electric dryer: clean dryer filter, clean and straighten exhaust hose/duct and vent outside. You will save 23kwh—or \$3.
10. When buying new appliances, always choose ENERGY STAR. This can save you 75 kwh—or \$11.

*Remember, savings will vary significantly from home to home. Data based on 500 kwh monthly residential usage at 15 cents per kwh per month.*

### **Top Natural Gas Saving Tips**

1. Tune up your furnace to save \$8.80 a month, or replace an 80% efficient furnace with one 90% efficient or more and save \$30.80 a month.
2. Install a programmable thermostat, lowering the setting 6–8° at night and when no one’s home, and save \$16.50 a month.
3. Caulk and weatherstrip to keep warm air indoors and save \$13.20 a month.
4. Dry only full loads of laundry and save \$6.60 a month.
5. Lower your water heater setting to 120° F and save \$8.80 a month.
6. Choose an energy-efficient hot water tank when replacing an older one and save \$6.60 a month.
7. Insulate walls, ceilings and windows where you can and save \$16.50 a month.
8. Choose energy-efficient windows when you need to replace them and save \$28.60 a month.
9. Always choose ENERGY STAR®-qualified appliances and save \$24.20 a month.

*Savings will vary from home to home based on several factors. Data based on 1,800 square foot house. Monthly therm saving estimates are for heating season, October 15, 2007 – April 15, 2008. Delivered therm price used was \$1.10.*