

STAY COZY AND SAVE THIS WINTER

Prepping your home for cold weather can help you save on energy costs and ensure comfort all winter long.

Did you know that the heating system is the single biggest energy expense in most homes, and that water heating is often the second largest expense? Cold weather could mean even more stress on your heating system. Energy Trust of Oregon offers low- and no-cost tips to help keep you cozy all winter long and save energy.





ENERGY SAVING TIPS

Saving energy doesn't mean you need to sacrifice comfort. Try these energy saving tips to stay cozy while saving on your energy bill:

- Set your ceiling fans to run in reverse to help push down and circulate warm air. You'll know you got it right when your ceiling fan is turning clockwise.
- Use rugs and other floor coverings to help retain heat.
- Make sure air vents are unobstructed by furniture or rugs for free air circulation.
- Set your thermostat to between 65-68 during the day and 58-60 at night or when you're not at home to save. A smart thermostat can be set to make this adjustment automatic.

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For more ways to stay cozy this winter visit www.energytrust.org/diy or call us at 1-866-368-7878.

Your water heater is probably set to an inefficient temperature. Turn it down to 120 degrees and you'll still have plenty of hot water while spending less.

The Department of Energy estimates that for every 10 degrees you lower your water heater temperature you'll save 5% on your energy bill.

