



Seasons

TIPS TO KEEP YOUR HOME COMFORTABLE YEAR ROUND

10 Easy ways to stay warm and save money this winter.



1 During the colder months, keep window shades and drapes open during the daytime (especially southern facing ones) to allow the sun to help heat your home naturally. Closing them at night also helps insulate against heat loss.



2 Fireplaces are a great way to keep you warm and toasty. But when your fireplace isn't in use, make sure you keep the damper closed. You can lose up to 5 percent of your heat if your damper is open when the fireplace is not in use.

3 If there are rooms in your home that you don't use regularly, don't waste money by heating them! Close the heating vents in these areas and close the doors to rooms you don't use.

4 Apply weather stripping around any doors that are leaking air, and caulk around all your windows. Put door sweeps on all of your outside doors. You can purchase these materials at any hardware store or home center.

5 Be sure to check for cold air leaks at doors and windows. If you aren't sure if they are leaking cold air, try lighting a match and holding it at the bottom of the window or door. You should be able to see very quickly if there is a draft.

6 One of the easiest and most effective things you can do, is to install a new air filter before every heating season begins, and check it on a monthly basis – replacing if needed. No matter what type of heating system you have, a dirty filter obstructs air flow and makes your equipment work harder and longer – which costs you money.

7 Lower the setting on your thermostat. If you can reduce your daytime indoor thermostat temperature just a few notches — say from 72 to 68 degrees — you should save about 5% during the heating season.



8 Be sure to check the settings on your hot water heater. The temperature should be set at 120 degrees — no higher. If your water heater is in a cool area (like the basement or garage) you should wrap it in an insulation blanket to prevent heat loss. You can get one of these blankets at the hardware or home store and install it yourself.

9 Most people never think of this, but you should try to cut down your usage of ventilation fans and kitchen hood fans during the winter. You would be surprised how much air these fans can move. In fact, a single bathroom fan can pull all of the warm air out of an average sized house in a little over hour.

10 Keep your furnace, heat pump, or other heating equipment in top operating condition. Poorly tuned units are inefficient and use more fuel. Regular maintenance is well worth the money to ensure that your equipment is properly maintained and will last as long as possible. **If you haven't had a system check lately, now is a great time to call us.**

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