



# ENERGY SAVING TIPS

Air conditioning is approximately 60% of your utility bill. It is recommended to keep your air unit on 76-78 during the summer.

Clean or replace filters on air conditioners once a month or as recommended.

Turn off kitchen, bath, and other exhaust fans within 20 minutes after you are done cooking or bathing; when replacing exhaust fans, consider installing high-efficiency, low-noise models.

During summer, keep the window coverings closed during the day to block the sun's heat. Ceiling fans are considered the most effective type of fan, because they effectively circulate the air in a room to create a draft throughout the room. If you use air conditioning, a ceiling fan will allow you to raise the thermostat setting about 4°F with no reduction in comfort.

In temperate climates, or during moderately hot weather, ceiling fans may allow you to avoid using your air conditioner altogether. Install a fan in each room that needs to be cooled during hot weather. Turn off ceiling fans when you leave a room; fans cool people, not rooms, by creating a wind chill effect.

Wash and dry only full loads.  
If you don't wash a full load you are not only wasting energy, but water too.

Changing light bulbs to lower wattage, compact florescent or LED bulbs can help save too.

When you are not using phone chargers, hair dryers and other small appliances, you should unplug them. Even though you are not using them, they are still using energy.

