

# Energy Efficiency and Money Saving Tips



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### **Washing machine**

Use the washing machine at 30°C. This reduces energy use by around 40%, which could save you up to £18 a year compared to washing at 40°C. Washing a full load will save you even more money!



### **Fuel Supplier**

You could save money by moving to a cheaper tariff and/or switching to a dual fuel discount the average household can save up to £300 a year



### **Room thermostat**

The best setting for thermostats is around 21°C. Every degree you turn down the room on the thermostat could save you around £85 per year on your heating bill.



### **Changing lightbulbs**

New lightbulbs use less energy and cost less to run. Replace them with LED or energy saving halogens with a lower wattage but the same light output. You could save £10 per year per lightbulb. And if you turn off lights when not use, you could save £19 per year.



### **Warm Home Discount Scheme (WHDS)**

Over Winter you could get £140 off your electricity bill through the Warm Home Discount Scheme, if you are getting the Guarantee Credit element of Pension Credit (even if you get Saving Credit as well), or you may be able to apply the broader group of WHDS if you are on a low income or get certain means-tested benefits.



### **Radflek**

Fit the 'Radflek' material behind radiators which are on external walls. You can turn down the radiator without affecting how warm you are. It could save you up to £40 per year.



### **Seal window and door gaps**

Seal gaps around the windows and doors. You can buy self-adhesive foam strips to seal gaps. Draught proofing windows and doors can save you £20 a year



### **Standby**

Turn items off at the switch so that they are not in 'standby mode'. On average UK households spends between £50 - £90 a year each powering appliances left in standby mode or not in use.



### **Boiling water with a kettle**

Filling a kettle with the amount of water you need to boil for your hot drink avoids wasting energy to boil the excess water. You can save over £23 a year just by being careful with how you use kitchen appliances.



### **Water Meter / Assessed Household Charge**

Installing a water meter should always be beneficial for homes with 1 or 2 occupants. If your water company says you can't have a water meter, then it will move you to the Assessed Household Charge, which calculates your bill based on bedroom numbers. You can save up to £97 per year by a water efficient showerhead, £16 per year for a family of four by kitchen swivel taps, and £52 per year for a family of four by a shower-timer.

For a free video or telephone  
consultation to help you to reduce  
your energy costs

Act now and start saving straight away

Its easy !

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