

LAUNDRY ENERGY-SAVING TIPS

- Only wash and dry full loads.
- Always rinse in cold water.
- Hang your laundry outdoors to dry.
- Remove the lint from your dryer screen.
- Make sure the clothes dryer exhaust is not blocked.

REFRIGERATOR

DID YOU KNOW?

- Your **refrigerator** uses the most electricity of all the appliances in your home.
- A refrigerator sold in 2001 uses 40% amount of electricity needed to operate an ENERGY STAR model.
- ENERGY STAR refrigerators have better insulation and efficient motors, as well as all the features you want and expect.

REFRIGERATOR ENERGY-SAVING TIPS

- Select a refrigerator/freezer with energy-saving features. It's guaranteed to use 20% less electricity than the standard model, saving you approximately \$60 a year. Get more info on **ENERGY STAR refrigerators**.
- Regularly clean the condenser coils of your refrigerator that are typically located underneath or behind the refrigerator.
- Make sure the seals on your refrigerator, freezer and oven doors fit tightly. Easily perform this test by leaving a lit flashlight inside a closed appliance and if you see light around the gasket, replace the gasket.
- Keep your refrigerator between 35 and 38 degrees Fahrenheit and your freezer at 0 degrees Fahrenheit.

DISHWASHER

DID YOU KNOW?

- **ENERGY STAR dishwashers** are 41% more efficient than the federal minimum standard for energy.
- An ENERGY STAR dishwasher saves approximately 1,200 gallons of water a year - 6 times the amount of water the average person drinks in a year!
- 60% to 80% of the power used by a dishwasher is consumed just to heat the water.

DISHWASHER ENERGY-SAVING TIPS

- Run your dishwasher only when full.
- Air dry the clean dishes by turning the energy-saver switch on.
- Scrape - do not rinse! Scrape your dishes before loading the dishwasher. Pre-rinsing is no longer necessary with today's technology and detergents. You may be using more water to pre-rinse your dishes than the dishwasher uses for a full wash cycle!

HOME OFFICE

DID YOU KNOW?

- Look for the ENERGY STAR label on computer monitors, fax machines, copiers and water coolers.
- In the average home, 40% of the electricity used to power home electronics is consumed while the products are turned off.
- Home electronic products use energy when they're off to power features like clock displays and remote controls. Those that have earned the ENERGY STAR use as much as 50% less energy to perform these functions, while providing the same performance at the same price as less-efficient models.

HOME OFFICE ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- Turn off lights in offices when they are not in use.
- Turn off office equipment when it is not needed at night or on the weekends.

THE BATH - ENERGY-SAVING TIPS

- Use your exhaust fans sparingly. In just one hour they can remove a houseful of warmed or cooled air.
- Repair all leaky faucets. One drop per second can waste as much as 10 gallons of water in a week.
- Take showers rather than baths. A typical shower requires only half as much hot water as an average tub bath.

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