

10 Simple Ways to Save Energy and Money This Winter



At PSE&G, we're committed to helping you reduce usage and manage your monthly energy bills. Winter can mean higher gas usage as you turn on the heat. Here are some ways to manage gas usage and costs when temperatures drop:

- 1. Lower the temperature setting.** Home heating is the largest user of energy and offers the greatest opportunity for savings. Set your programmable thermostat as low as is comfortable in the winter and lower the set point when you're sleeping or away from home.
- 2. Use the sunlight for warmth.** Open the draperies and shades on your south-facing windows during the day to allow the sunlight to enter your home. Close them at night to reduce the chill you may feel from cold windows.
- 3. Move furniture and drapes away from heat sources.** Remove furniture or items which block vents. Open any register or baseboard dampers.
- 4. Replace or clean filters** on furnaces once a month or as recommended.
- 5. Use ceiling fans to circulate warm air.** Make sure that the fan blades are slowly spinning clockwise to draw cold air up and force warmer air down.
- 6. Cover window air conditioners.** Remove or cover window air conditioners to reduce drafts.
- 7. Close fireplace dampers when not in use.** Stop warm air from escaping through chimneys.
- 8. Seal windows and doors.** Use weather-stripping or caulk to seal up cracks and prevent drafts in windows and doorframes. Beneath doors, install draft guards available at hardware stores.
- 9. Complete a free, online home energy assessment.** Receive personalized energy-saving tips and recommendations on how you can save energy and money throughout your home. Visit pseg.com/HomeEnergyAssessment.
- 10. Visit pseg.com/SaveEnergy** to learn about a variety of ways to help manage your energy costs, including energy efficiency programs, and our Equal Payment Plan which helps make bills more predictable.

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