



Bob Vila's Energy Saving Tips for 2009

1. Try a greener approach to heating your house. Turn down the furnace and turn on a EdenPURE® heater that uses less energy, doesn't emit any toxins, or burn the air.
2. Use sealants such as weather-stripping, putty, caulk, plastic on doors, windows, cracks, leaks, and drafty areas of the house to keep the heat in and the cold out.
3. Before the cold winter months settle in, examine older sealants for cracks and wear. If necessary, add a new, fresh layer.
4. During the cold winter months, try moving your furniture away from chilly exterior walls. This will keep your furnishings warmer, and it will take less energy to keep the room comfortably warm.
5. Heat only the rooms that you regularly use. Close the vents or lower the thermostats in the rooms that you don't utilize, like the spare bedroom. Keep an EdenPURE® Model 500 heater in these rooms when they are in use.
6. To avoid heat escaping through your attic, use an attic stair cover. This will reduce the amount of heat lost as it rises through your house.
7. Keep the window blinds and draperies open on the south-facing windows during the day. This will allow the sunlight to warm your rooms. Also, make sure the curtains are closed on the north-facing windows to keep the room insulated.
8. Close the blinds in every room of the house at night to keep the cold air from seeping in.
9. During the spring and fall months, these winter transitional months, turn off your furnace completely and use the EdenPURE® as your primary heating source.
10. Place a draft stopper in your fireplaces to keep heated air from escaping and cold air from leaking into your house.
11. Cut down the use of bathroom, kitchen, and other exhaust fans. They suck out all the heated air and keep you paying more. Use these fans for less than twenty minutes after you have finished your activities.

12. Since your clothes dryer is attached to an exhaust duct that leads to the outside, prevent heat from seeping out by installing a dryer vent seal. This vent will keep out cold air along with insects and animals, and keep you paying less to heat your house.
13. Turn the thermostat down when you go to bed, but not too much because it can cost more to re-heat the house during the day. Turn the heat down on your big furnace to about sixty degrees and use an EdenPURE® in your bedroom to prevent getting too chilly at night.
14. Do NOT turn your thermostat up above the desired temperature. The house will not heat up more quickly and you will be wasting energy and money.
15. Invest in a programmable thermostat to raise the temperature in the late afternoon and lower it at bedtime and during the day while you're at work.
16. Install thermal (sometimes referred to as storm) windows. There is a gap between the two glass panes that act as insulation to keep the heat inside and the cold outside.
17. Clean radiators and vents frequently as they collect dust which blocks heat emissions. Also make sure radiators and vents are not obstructed by furniture, floor covering, or curtains.
18. Run your ceiling fan in reverse to push down the warm air and circulate it throughout a room.
19. Place an insulation jacket on your water heater and pipes to keep the water in the tank warm. It will take less time and energy to reheat this water, which saves you money.
20. Lower your water heater's thermostat. Appliances thermostats, like dishwashers can be significantly lowered, to 120 degrees, and still work effectively.
21. Finally, invest in the most efficient and safest portable heating system available, EdenPURE®. I use one in my Massachusetts home. The EdenPURE® heaters can help you save BIG this winter on your heating bill. And with over one million heaters sold, the EdenPURE® heater has shown that it can pay for itself in just a short time, if used properly.

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