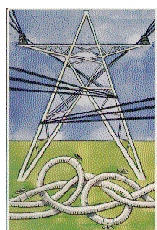


ENERGY EFFICIENCY ADVICE



Becoming more energy efficient is important for us all both in terms of saving money and reducing our carbon footprints. Small, cheap, or even free, measures can make a real difference to the energy consumption of your homes and are often easy to implement. Beyond that there are other more costly energy efficiency investments, which nevertheless can save you money in the long term and have a massive impact immediately on the carbon emissions attributed to your property. Below we note some key areas in terms of energy efficiency, but this is by no means an exhaustive list.

SWITCH ENERGY SUPPLIERS



An easy way to save money on your gas and electricity bills is to find a better tariff and switch supplier. Green tariffs also offer the opportunity to make use of renewable energy alternatives. Visit our energy switch marketplace to compare prices with your existing supplier –

www.uk-energy-saving.com/cheap_gas_electricity.html

More information at:

www.uk-energy-saving.com/green_electricity.html

TURN IT DOWN OR OFF

Don't waste energy by leaving appliances on standby or having heating controls set unnecessarily high. Switching appliances off completely could save you £40 and over 150kg of carbon dioxide a year. Turning down room thermostats by 1°C could save £50 and 300kg of carbon dioxide a year.



INSULATE AND DRAUGHT PROOF YOUR HOME



Loft and cavity wall insulation could save you over £250 a year and over 1.2 tonnes of carbon dioxide. Draught proofing could save you a further £25 and 130kg of carbon dioxide. Grants are available towards the cost of insulating your home (for up to 100% of costs). Visit our Insulating Your Home page at www.uk-energy-saving.com/insulation.html and complete the enquiry form for a free no-obligation home survey. This will provide you with information on insulation grants to which you are eligible.

More information at:

www.uk-energy-saving.com/insulation.html

ENERGY SAVING LIGHT BULBS

Installing energy efficient light bulbs throughout your home could you save you £6 and 40kg of carbon dioxide a year per bulb!



More information at:

www.uk-energy-saving.com/energy_saving_light_bulb.html

BUY ENERGY EFFICIENT APPLIANCES



Energy efficient washing machines, tumble dryers, dishwashers and fridge freezers often don't cost any more than other models but can offer great savings. The EU energy labels for appliances show you at a glance which products are the most efficient.

More information at:

www.uk-energy-saving.com/energy_efficient_appliance.html

ENERGY EFFICIENT CENTRAL HEATING

Making sure your whole heating system is energy efficient will offer excellent savings. Investing in an energy saving boiler alone could save you over £200 a year and up to 1.1 tonnes of carbon dioxide. In addition, make sure that your hot water tank and pipes are well insulated and that there is foil or reflective panels behind radiators for further total savings of over 200kg of carbon dioxide a year. Thermostatic radiator valves also allow you to adjust the temperature in each room rather than heating all rooms even when they are unoccupied.



More information at:

www.uk-energy-saving.com/energy_saving_boiler.html

DOUBLE GLAZING



If your windows are not already double glazed, this would be a worthwhile investment. Whilst the initial outlay may be quite high, you could save over £100 and 650kg of carbon dioxide a year. Secondary glazing is also a cheaper alternative.

More information at:

www.uk-energy-saving.com/double_glazing.html

FURTHER TIPS

Our energy saving calculator covers these and many more energy saving suggestions, including information on costs, monetary savings and carbon dioxide reductions. Visit the calculator at www.uk-energysaving.com/energy_saving_calculator.html.

Some of the energy efficiency suggestions detailed above are eligible for grants subject to certain criteria.

Our Energy Saving Grants PDF contains more information on this and a copy of the document can be found at www.uk-energy-saving.com/further-tips-pdfs.html.

For more energy saving tips and information on green living, including renewable energy options, visit our home page at www.uk-energy-saving.com.

We trust that the information provided above has proved to be useful. If there is anything you feel that we have missed, please do not hesitate to contact us. Every effort is made to maintain the accuracy of this information, but UK Energy Saving cannot be held responsible for any errors or omissions.

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