

Environmental Health and Safety

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Winterization and Energy Conservation

Winterization and energy conservation are very important to your home. They help you save money, have fewer repairs and help the environment. Winterization keeps your home safe, warm and dry in colder weather. Where as energy conservation helps reduce energy consumption, can be used all year and will make your home more efficient and safer to live in.



Winterization Tips:

- Keep gutters clean to prevent ice dams
- Block air drafts by closing gaps in seals
- Wrap your pipes to prevent freezing
- Ensure you have enough insulation
- Reverse ceiling fan (pushing warm air downward)
- Use storm windows, if available
- Check your ducts for leaks
- Install exterior faucet covers



Energy Conservation Tips:

- Turn off lights and appliances when not in use
- Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent lamps
- In cold weather, open window coverings for sun warmth
- Lower thermostat temperature when not at home
- Clean heating and cooling filters regularly
- Run a fan on low, turning clockwise, to circulate warm air

Resources:

[Home energy saving](#)

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