

Factsheet

ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIPS FOR LEASEHOLDERS



Top 5 leaseholder energy saving tips!

1. Almost a third of heat lost in the average home is through the walls. By insulating wall cavities you could save up to £100 from your energy bills each year.
2. Easy to install and extremely effective loft insulation could save you up to £100 each year.
3. Fitting a jacket around your hot water tank – the thicker the better – is easy and saves even more money off your fuel bills.
4. Take measures to stop heat being lost through gaps in doors, windows or floorboards. Use seals or brushes on exterior doors, cover letterboxes.
5. Use energy efficiency light bulbs. They last around 10 times longer than ordinary light bulbs and use only 20 percent of the electricity.



Useful Contacts

- **Fuelsavers:** 0113 3957159.
- **Energy Saving Trust:** 0800 512 012 or www.energysavingtrust.org.uk
- **West North West homes Leeds:** 0800 915 1113 or

More energy saving tips for leaseholders!

Turning down your room thermostat and TRV's by one degree could cut your heating by 10%.	Not all ground floors are solid construction so you should ensure that a good quality carpet underlay is fitted to restrict heat loss.
Lower the thermostat on your hot water heater to 120°F / 60°C.	Take measures to stop heat being lost through gaps in doors, windows or floorboards. Use seals or brushes on exterior doors, cover letterboxes.
Check time switches so heating times match building occupancy.	Check insulation on pipes, and lagging on hot water storage tanks.
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Close your curtains at dusk to stop heating escaping through the windows.	The average household wastes £37 each year by leaving appliances on standby. Switch it off at the plug!
A dripping hot water tap wastes energy and in one week wastes enough hot water to fill half a bath, so get leaking taps fixed and make sure they're fully turned off!	If everyone boiled only the water they needed to make a cup of tea instead of filling the kettle every time, we could save enough electricity in a year to run the UK's street lighting for 7 months.
Easy to install and extremely effective loft insulation could save you up to £110 each year.	Turning the temperature of your washing machine down to 30 degrees could use up to 40 percent less electricity, saving around £11 per year.
Fitting a jacket around your hot water tank – the thicker the better – is easy and saves even more money off your fuel bills.	Always turn off lights when you leave a room.
Double glazing reduces heat loss through windows by 50 percent could cut your heating bill by around £90 a year.	Air dry dishes instead of using your dishwasher drying cycle.
Check radiators and heat emitters are free from obstructions.	Turn off your computer and monitor when not in use.
Install a programmable thermostat to keep your house comfortably warm in the winter and comfortably cool in the summer.	Plug home electronics, such as TVs and DVD players, into power strips; turn the power strips off when the equipment is not in use (TVs and DVDs in standby mode still use several watts of power).
Take short showers instead of baths.	Wash only full loads of dishes and clothes.
It is vitally important that all gas appliances are correctly installed and serviced yearly to ensure their safe and efficient operation. All appliances must be installed and regularly serviced by GAS SAFE registered installer. A copy of the Gas Safety Certificate should be sent to West North West homes Leeds.	Check Energy Tariffs on a regular basis, this could save you money.

ACT ON CO₂

Climate change is one of the greatest challenges facing the UK today and ACT ON CO₂ is a key part of the Government's plan to help tackle the issue. The campaign communicates the seriousness of climate change to the public through TV, press, radio and online advertising, explaining the link between CO₂ emissions and global warming.

ACT ON is a cross-Government initiative, currently involving the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC), the Department for Transport (DfT) and Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA).

If you are interested then the Energy Saving Trust has for over fifteen years provided free, impartial advice, information and tools to people across the UK

looking to save and generate energy. More recently they have started offering advice on how to conserve water and reduce waste.

