

Region X Energy Hints 2013

Cool Weather (Part 1 of 2)

Owner Tips: Week 6



Tip 1

Keep the heat in by closing the curtains; even this can make a difference.

Tip 2

Throw down a rug on exposed floors. Not only will it insulate, it will cut down on noise as well.



Tip 3

Install a furnace alarm. This will tell you when to change filters. Changing dirty furnace filters on your furnace could save five percent on the heating bill.



Tip 4

Keep supply and return air vents clear of drapes and furniture. This allows the furnace to operate more efficiently.



Tip 5

Check doors for proper insulation. Place a hand against a door from the inside. If it feels cooler than the inside walls, it might be time to install a door that's better insulated.



Tip 6

Adding a humidifier to the heating system lets the thermostat be turned down and allows comfort at lower temperatures. Aquariums and houseplants add humidity, too.

