

Look for the ENERGY STAR label.



What is ENERGY STAR?

ENERGY STAR is a national symbol for energy efficiency. The ENERGY STAR label identifies products that consume less energy and have met guidelines set by the US Environmental Protection Agency and US Department of Energy.

The ENERGY STAR label makes it easy for you to identify products that save energy, save money and help protect the environment – all at the same time.



Choosing an ENERGY STAR-labeled product has never been easier. As an ENERGY STAR utility partner, let us tell you about these products in more detail and offer you rebates specifically on central air conditioners, room air conditioners, refrigerators, clothes washers, dishwashers and compact fluorescent lights (CFLs).

Appliances

A properly sized and installed ENERGY STAR-labeled **central air conditioner** uses 20% less electricity than a standard central air conditioner. ENERGY STAR-labeled **room air conditioners** are at least 10% more efficient than conventional models. Replacing a unit that is ten years old can result in significant savings. ENERGY STAR-labeled **ceiling fans** operate about 40% more efficiently than conventional fans and move 20% more air. These three ENERGY STAR-labeled appliances provide an affordable way to keep your family cool and comfortable.

ENERGY STAR-labeled **programmable thermostats** automatically control temperature settings in your house to save energy when you're asleep or away from home. When used properly, you can save 20-30% on your heating and cooling bills.

Dehumidifiers have become popular because they help control

moisture and create healthy home environments. But standard dehumidifiers can use massive amounts of energy. Based on national energy costs, an ENERGY STAR-labeled dehumidifier saves more than \$90 on average over the life of the unit through lower utility bills.

Refrigerators are the single biggest power consumer in most households. If your refrigerator is at least ten years old, it uses as much energy as two ENERGY STAR-labeled refrigerators.

ENERGY STAR-labeled **dishwashers** are at least 25% more efficient than conventional models. Replacing a dishwasher that is ten years old with an ENERGY STAR-labeled model can save you energy and money.

ENERGY STAR-labeled **clothes washers** come in front-loading and top-loading models. Both use less water and energy per load (35-50% less water and 50% less energy) than standard clothes washers. You could save up to 7,000 gallons of water every year depending on the number of loads you wash each month. This adds up to big savings for you and a big boost for the environment!

Lighting

ENERGY STAR-labeled **compact fluorescent lights (CFLs)** for your home require only one-third the



energy of a regular incandescent bulb. These CFLs also last up to thirteen times longer than an incandescent, so you don't have to change them as often. If every household made its next light an ENERGY STAR-labeled CFL, the environmental benefit would be equivalent to removing 1.2 million cars from the road for one year!

Electronics

Did you know that many of your electronic appliances continue to use power even after you have hit the "off" button? This concept is known as a "phantom" electric load. In particular, **televisions, DVD players, CD players, clock radios, stereos** and **powered speakers** consume energy when turned off. But those that have earned the ENERGY STAR use approximately 50% less energy than standard electronic appliances. And less energy means you pay less on your electric bill!

You can make a difference!

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