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Save Energy at Home this Summer

We understand that no one likes higher-than-expected energy bills. Here are some tips to reduce your energy use during the warmer months – without sacrificing your family's comfort.

- Tilt blinds up and close drapes on windows that receive direct sunlight.
- Open windows in the evening to let cooler air in when safe.
- Run your ceiling fan while your A/C is on; this will allow you to raise your thermostat about 4 degrees while maintaining the same level of comfort.
- Enable “power management” on all computers and turn off when not in use.
- Wash clothes in cold water. About 90 percent of the energy used in a clothes washer goes to water heating.
- Postpone using heat-producing appliances like the oven, dishwasher and clothes dryer after 9 p.m.
- On hot afternoons, consider leaving home, and going someplace cool like the shopping mall, movie theater or library.



Check out SDG&E's [one-minute video tips](#) for more energy-saving ideas on cooling, weatherization, refrigerators, home electronics, indoor/outdoor lighting and pools.

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