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TGIFall 6 smart, easy ways to save

Need help? FREE energysaving upgrades

Get :: \$4,000 in heating system rebates



DEAL DAYS ARE BACK! Save instantly in stores or online





Autumn has a certain magic. We love the sweet smell of apples, hayrides through golden leaves and curling up at home where it's cozy.

As we head into a new season, Hydro One is making it easier for you to live comfortably, save energy and lower your bills with this handy home savings guide.

From instant discounts on energy-efficient products to rebates that can help you upgrade your heating system, we're here for you in every season.

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BACK to COOL

Six smart ways to save energy all fall – and beyond!

UPGRADE your furnace and get

SEE

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UNPLUG DEVICES

Electronics can consume as much energy in standby mode as in use. Use an advanced power bar with auto-shutoff.

TRACK YOUR USE

View your electricity use and see where you can save. Sign up at HydroOne.com/myAccount.

SET SMART

Installing a smart thermostat is an easy way to save. Every 1° it adjusts can save 2% on your bill.

BUYING NEW?

ENERGY STAR[®] certified electronics use 25% less energy than standard models.

CHANGE IS GOOD

by the manufacturer.

Remember to replace your furnace filter

every three months or as recommended

GET A TUNE-UP

Have your heating system serviced by a qualified contractor to ensure it's running efficiently, and avoid costly repairs.

NEW! Get more tips and tools at **HydroOne.com/ForHome**

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October 5 -November 4

NO COUPONS REQUIRED!

Get instant discounts and ongoing savings with these energy-efficient products – and many more.

See all stores and products at HydroOne.com/DealDays

ADVANCED POWER BARS (with integrated timer

or auto-shutoff)

Save up to 10% each month by reducing phantom power.



ENERGY STAR® CERTIFIED LEDS

Use up to 75% less energy than incandescent bulbs.

HEAVY-DUTY OUTDOOR TIMERS

Switch lights off automatically so they don't waste energy, in case you forget.



ENERGY STAR® CERTIFIED LIGHT FIXTURES

Use 75% less electricity than standard fixtures.

GET EXPERT ADVICE

Our **energy experts** will be at select home improvement stores during Deal Days, offering personalized advice on energy-efficient products. See our website for dates and stores.

Easy DIY Weekend Projects

Here are four easy, affordable, energy-saving upgrades you can do yourself in one day – with just a few basic tools!

KEEP WARM AIR IN

Sealing air leaks can make your home more comfortable and help you save on heating costs. Install weatherstripping along the base of doors and caulk drafty windows. Other spots to check include recessed lights, attic entrances, air ducts, and electrical outlets and switches.

SWAP OLD BULBS FOR LEDS

LED bulbs use up to 75% less electricity and can give your home a brighter, fresher look. Choose from a wide variety of colours, styles and brightness levels.

SWITCH TO DIMMERS

Replace standard light switches with dimmers in minutes to create the right light for any activity while also saving electricity and extending the life of your bulbs. Check the package to ensure you choose dimmers that are compatible with LED bulbs.

SET A TIMER

Tend to fall asleep with the lights still on or appliances still running? Add timers to turn them on or off automatically.

Get instant discounts on all of these energy-saving products and more during **Save on Energy Deal Days**! One month only, October 5 to November 4, 2018. Find out more at HydroOne.com/DealDays

The 15-Minute Home Upgrade

Replacing a standard light switch with a dimmer is an easy DIY upgrade that can help you save energy, create an atmosphere and extend the life of your bulbs.

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Turn off the power at the circuit breaker. Using a screwdriver, take off the existing switch plate. Then, unscrew the switch and pull it out of the electrical box.



For your safety, touch your electrical tester to the switch connections to confirm the power is off. Gently disconnect the wiring. Straighten the wires coming from the wall.

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Some dimmers have wires attached, others have screw terminals. For screw terminals, bend, loop and close the wire ends around the terminals with needlenose pliers. Then, tighten the screws.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Screwdriver(s) Electrical tester Needle-nose pliers Wire nuts

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The Electrical Safety

to have a permit to replace an existing light

Authority requires you

switch with a dimmer.

Visit esasafe.com or

call 1-877-ESA-SAFE

for details.

For dimmers that have wires attached, match and connect by twisting the ends together with the wires from the wall. Then, screw on plastic wire nuts. Carefully push the wires back into the electrical box. Screw the switch into place, and then screw the switch plate onto the box.

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That's it! Turn the power back on at the circuit breaker to test your dimmer and set the mood for savings.

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READY, SET, FALL

Use our handy checklist to save energy and make your home more comfortable this winter.



Add an insulating blanket to your electric hot water heater to reduce heat loss by up to 40%

Clean dryer

Have your

air ducts

cleaned

vents



waterproof cover

Replace old bulbs with ENERGY STAR® certified LED lighting



Clean or replace furnace filters

Call a contractor and schedule a tune-up for your heating system



Remove and store window air conditioners

> Caulk and weatherstrip around doors and windows

10 Vacuum refrigerator coils

See more tips and tools at HydroOne.com/SaveEnergy

Purrfect Comfort

It pays to invest in energy efficiency. These rebates can help you upgrade - get them while they last!

HOW OLD IS YOUR FURNACE?

If it's 10 years old or more, it may be time for a replacement. By upgrading to a highefficiency model, you could reduce home heating costs by 25%* a year.

Must be equipped with an electronically commutated motor (ECM).

PLUS!

HOW ABOUT A HEAT PUMP?

Air-source **heat pumps** are generally more efficient than electric, gas or oil furnaces. They have the added benefit of providing air conditioning and dehumidifying in the summer.

The best heating choice depends on your home. Are you building new? Is your home especially drafty? Do you have insufficient or no ductwork? There are many heat pump options out there a qualified contractor can help you choose what's best for you.

Find participating contractors and product details at HydroOne.com/Rebates

"Estimated annual electricity cost savings based on past program experience. Actual savings may vary. †Incentives are available for installation of eligible equipment completed between January 1 and December 31, 2018 and submitted no later than February 28, 2019. Equipment must be purchased from and installed by a participating contractor. \$250 incentive with the purchase and installation of an eligible furnace. \$600 incentive with the purchase and installation of an eligible central air conditioning system. Up to \$4,000 incentive with the purchase and installation of an eligible air-source heat pump.

CERTIFIED CENTRAL AC Must have a SEER 18/EER

13 rating or higher.

GET UP TO

Must be ENERGY STAR® certified or CEE Tier-1 level system, minimum SEER 15/ HSPF 8.5/EER 12.5 rating. Other qualifications may apply.



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SWITCH TO PAPERLESS

Bills sent by snail mail take longer to arrive, so you have less time to pay them. Paperless billing is quick, convenient and cuts clutter.

SET IT AND FORGET IT WITH AUTOPAY

Pay your bill directly from your bank account, avoid late fees and never miss a payment again. We'll always notify you before a payment is due.

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SET UP PROACTIVE OUTAGE ALERTS

Get text and email alerts that let you know if the power goes out at your home or cottage and when you can expect it to be restored.

HELP WITH BUDGETING

Equal billing averages out monthly energy bills over the year, so you pay the same amount each month – ideal for people on a fixed income.



Sign up for **Auto**Pay and <u>DOUBLE</u> your chances to win

RIGHT TO YOUR INBOX

You'll receive an email with the amount due when a new bill is ready.

Get the perks of paperless

CONTROL THE CLUTTER

With fewer bills to sort through, there's no more messy stacks of paper.

Sign up at HydroOne.com/Makeover

See full terms and conditions on our website. Contest ends Nov. 4, 2018.



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Doing away with paper bills and envelopes means less impact on the environment.



Answers: A Always turn off lights when you leave a room, even for a short time. 2. Unplug computers, TVs and video agames when you're not using them. 3. When your phone is done charging, unplug the charget from the wall. 4. Fans are good, but remember to turn them off when you leave. 6. Need a new game console or TV? Be sure to ask for an adult for help stopping air leaks. 8. Plug into a smart power bar to turn off electronics automatically when they're in sleep adult for thelp stopping air leaks. 8. Plug into a smart power mode. 9. A dimmer switch sets the mood and saves energy. 10. A smart thermostat keeps you comfy and helps you use less energy automatically.

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Do you have what it takes to

be an energy waste avenger?

Spot the **10** ways electricity could be saved!

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Get **FREE** Home Upgrades to Help Lower Your Electricity Costs

The **AffordAbility Fund** is here for you.

Three levels of support are available, depending on your income and average energy bill.

LEVEL 1

Home Energy Kit**

You may qualify for a kit that may include ENERGY STAR® certified LEDs, a smart power bar, motion-sensing night light, car block heater timer and more, along with tips on saving energy.

LEDs use up to 75% less energy and reduce the need for air conditioning.

Plug electronics into **smart power bars** to save up to 10% per month.

**Contents of the Home Energy Kit may vary depending on the level of support for which you qualify.

LEVEL 2

Free appliances and more

If you qualify, a Home Energy Advisor will visit your home and provide you with a personalized Home Energy Plan and ENERGY STAR[®] certified appliances, such as a refrigerator, freezer and a window air conditioner.

For electrically heated homes

LEVEL 3

Energy Kit

Contact

If your home is electrically heated, you may qualify for a Home Energy Advisor visit, a Home Energy Plan and upgrades, such as insulation and an ENERGY STAR[®] certified heat pump.

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energy-savers

See what you qualify for at AffordAbilityFund.org or call 1-855-494-3863

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MORE WAYS WE CAN HELP

HOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Free home energy assessments and upgrades, including insulation and appliances.

ONTARIO ELECTRICITY SUPPORT PROGRAM

Monthly bill credits of \$45-\$113 are available to support lower-income households.

LOW-INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Past-due electricity bills? Emergency grants of up to \$600 can help you catch up.

See how to qualify at HydroOne.com/ FinancialAssistance

We're Here for You

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Winter Storm

Follow these simple steps to be prepared during a power outage.

Get proactive outage alerts

Get email or text alerts that let you know if your power is out – and when it will be back on. Sign up through *my*Account.

Download our FREE app

Search by location to see the number of customers affected, crew status and when power will be restored.

Prepare a 72-hour emergency kit

Get our outage kit checklist to take care of yourself and your family at **HydroOne.com/StaySafe**





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