

SAVING ENERGY IN UNOCCUPIED BUILDINGS

SIMPLE STEPS WITH A HUGE IMPACT



TURN OFF HEATING & COOLING

ADJUST THE TEMPERATURE SETTINGS

Set heating to 55° and A/C to 85°.

On May 1, turn heating & cooling off.

Note: Not before May, you don't want to freeze your pipes.

CONSERVE WATER

NOT USING IT? TURN IT OFF!

To prevent waste from potential leaks (for example, leaky sinks and toilets), turn off each of the water valves. Turn off the hot water heater or set to "vacation mode."



TURN OFF THE LIGHTS

Walk around the building and make sure all lights are switched off. While conducting a walk through, close and lock windows and storm windows. Be sure to close all interior doors as well, especially attic and basement doors.

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- Walk the building and unplug all space heaters.
- Turn off exhaust fans (bathroom, kitchen) and any heat recovery ventilators.
- Turn off power strips that power non-essentials (including any "instant-on" TVs). Be sure NOT to unplug security systems, servers, or Wi-Fi routers.



DECIDE ON REFRIGERATION

WILL YOU NEED REFRIGERATION?

Empty and defrost the freezer first. Empty and unplug the refrigerator. Alternatively, you can set the appliance to a warmer setting. If unplugged, leave doors ajar to prevent mold.

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- Keep a list of adjustments so you can rapidly open the building back up again.
- In the future, consider installing a Wi-Fi thermostat to control temperatures remotely and get alerts if there is a risk of freezing.



QUESTIONS? MORE TIPS TO SHARE?

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