

# Top 10 business energy tips

Don't pay more for energy than you have to. Here are ten easy ways to keep your business power bills down.

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## 1 Unplug it

Just because it's not being used, doesn't mean it's not using electricity. Unplug printers, computers, scanners and microwaves at the end of the day – they'll chew through power even when they're turned off.

## 2 Adjust the temperature

You won't notice the difference one degree makes to the temperature of your office. You will notice the difference it makes to your heating and cooling bills. Give the thermostat a tiny tweak and reap the rewards.

## 3 Avoid the draft

Tiny drafts can make a big dent in your energy budget. Look for gaps around windows and doors and seal them inexpensively with caulk or door seals.

## 4 Go automatic

Install motion sensors to turn lights off when nobody is in the room. That way, you don't have to rely on staff remembering to switch off.

## 5 Downsize your screens

The smaller your computer monitor, the less energy it uses. Or switch to laptops which are more energy efficient than desktop computers.

## 6 Out with the old...

Ancient appliances may be cheap to buy, but they can cost a fortune in energy use. Consider replacing your old computers or printers with more energy-efficient models.

## 7 Get staff to hibernate

Make sure everyone sets up the hibernate feature on their laptops and computers, so they automatically go into power-saving mode after being unused for a set amount of time.

## 8 Stay frosty

Your office fridge uses energy 24/7, so it's worth checking the door seal. Close the door on a strip of paper and see how easily you can pull it free. If the seal is loose, it may be time to get a new one...or a new fridge.

## 9 Think paperless

Encourage staff to only print when necessary. It's a double win for your business – saving both paper plus the energy needed to run the office printer.

## 10 Get staff on side

Enlist your staff to help use less energy. Let them know about the latest energy bill and get them to brainstorm ways to reduce it. Getting them to come up with solutions will help them take ownership of the problem.