

Top Tips to Save Energy at Home

Tip: Set Water Heater Temperature



Step 1: Locate your water heater

- Usually the heater is located in the attic, basement, garage or utility room. If your water heater is electric, turn off the circuit breaker.



Step 2: Adjust the heating element and thermostats

- Most water heaters have heating elements on both the top and bottom, so adjust both.
- Remove cover and insulation to access the thermostat.
- Use a screwdriver to adjust the thermostat to 120 degrees. If the thermostat has notches rather than numbers, adjust down one notch.



Step 3: Replace the insulation and covers and check the temperature

- Turn the circuit breakers back on.
- Wait three hours. Turn on a hot faucet and hold your thermometer under the water to check the temperature.
- If the temperature is still too high, you may have to repeat the process to get to 120 degrees.

Supplies & Tools List



Thermometer



Screwdriver

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