



Hints For The Home

Make The Cool Choice For Room AC Savings

(NAPSA)—Keeping your home cool and comfortable in warm weather doesn't have to get you hot under the collar from your energy bills. Consider a new ENERGY STAR certified room air conditioner for comfort, energy savings and to help protect the climate.

Here are four ways you save:

Save Money

Room air conditioners that have earned the ENERGY STAR use 10 percent less energy and, on average, cost about \$70 to run each year.

Save the Environment

New ENERGY STAR certified room air conditioners come with higher quality insulation materials which improve comfort and savings by creating a better seal of the area between the unit and the window opening.

Consider this: According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, if all room air conditioners sold in the U.S. were ENERGY STAR certified, the cost savings would grow to more than \$350 million each year, preventing more than 6 billion pounds of greenhouse gas emissions annually—equal to the emissions from over 570,000 vehicles.

Save Time

Some new ENERGY STAR room air conditioners even come with smart functionality, offering you greater control over your comfort and energy savings. These units can be turned off from your phone or computer when you're away from home, or you can schedule temperature setting changes based on your needs. You can also get feedback on how much energy your unit uses.

Save Energy

To get the most energy savings with your ENERGY STAR room air conditioner, be sure to properly size and install it. Match the area in your home to be cooled with the BTU capacity needed to ensure you're getting the right sized unit. Be sure to closely follow the installation instructions that come with the unit.

Learn More

For information on ENERGY STAR certified room air conditioners, including rebates and other special offers, visit www.energystar.gov/roomac.

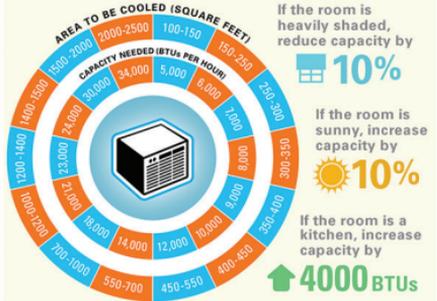
THE COOL CHOICE FOR ROOM AC

When the weather warms up, make the cool choice of a new ENERGY STAR certified room air conditioner.



SIZE YOUR A.C. FOR COMFORT AND SAVINGS.

Bigger is not always better! An oversized unit will cool the room, but only remove some of the humidity. This will leave the room with a damp, clammy feeling. A properly sized unit will deliver maximum comfort and savings. Use this chart as your guide.



PROPER A.C. INSTALLATION AND USE IS THE KEY TO COOL.

An improperly installed room air conditioner leaks as much air as a 6-square-inch hole, increasing energy costs and making your home less comfortable.

Follow these A.C. tips to beat the heat:

TIPS

Be sure to follow the instructions and use the insulation materials included with your room air conditioner.



Make sure the unit is level so the drainage system works effectively.

Don't put lamps or TVs near the A.C. thermostat as the extra heat will cause it to run longer.



78°

Set the thermostat as high as is comfortable, typically 78° F. You'll appreciate the savings.

On humid days, set the fan speed low. Slower air movement removes more moisture.



Use an extra fan to spread the cooled air around.

LOW

At the end of the cooling season, if possible, remove the room A.C. unit to minimize heat loss. Or use an appropriately-sized cover during winter.

REMOVE



AN ENERGY STAR CERTIFIED ROOM A.C. IS THE SIMPLE CHOICE TO SAVE ENERGY, SAVE MONEY, AND PROTECT THE CLIMATE.

ENERGY STAR room air conditioners use 10 percent less energy, and cost about \$70 per year to run, on average.

ABOUT 70 DOLLARS

BETTER SEAL

ENERGY STAR room air conditioners come with higher quality insulation, improving comfort and savings by creating a better seal with the window opening.

ENERGY STAR room air conditioners that feature smart functionality offer greater control over comfort and energy savings—turn off the unit remotely, schedule temperature settings, and receive updates on energy usage.

SMART FUNCTIONALITY

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Learn more about the Cool Choice for Room A.C. at energystar.gov/roomac.



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Make sure your air conditioner is the right size for your room.