

Save Energy and Money with these Natural Gas Furnace Winter Tips and Rebates

As the temperature continues to drop, a natural gas furnace can keep you warm and cozy. We've compiled helpful tips to make sure the heat turns on when you need it!

Tips to Extend the Life of Your Furnace

Did you know that a neglected furnace runs less efficiently requiring more energy to heat your home?

By hiring a licensed contractor to perform a furnace tune-up annually, you can make sure your heating system will be ready all winter long. A tune-up can help identify issues early and pinpoint potential problems that could result in more costly repairs in the future. During a furnace tune-up, a contractor will check for leaks, seal them and adjust the air temperature controls to maximize efficiency.

"There are a lot of parts to a natural gas furnace – motors, belts, blowers, vents and more that need regular maintenance to ensure proper function and prevent unnecessary wear and tear," said Steve Plummer, energy efficiency technical specialist at Oklahoma Natural Gas.

Homeowners should also remember to change the air filter regularly.

"You'll breathe cleaner air, save energy and save money," said Plummer. "Failure to follow these preventative measures could cause excess wear on your system and impact its life span."

Additionally, most manufacturers require proof of regular maintenance to honor their warranty.

Save money on a new furnace!

If you're in the market for a new heating system, you may be eligible for a rebate from the Energy Efficiency Program.

- **\$550 rebate** for the installation of a new 95%+ efficient natural gas furnace or boiler.
- **\$1,950 rebate** for replacing an electric resistance furnace with a new natural gas furnace.
- **\$1,950 rebate** for replacing an electric heat pump with a new natural gas furnace and air conditioner.
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