



*Oregon residents:
save energy and
money with...*

During Cooling Season:

- Limit your thermostat setting to no lower than 78 degrees.
- Turn off your air conditioner when no one is home.
- Use outside air for cooling whenever possible.
- Provide proper attic ventilation.

If you don't qualify for a weatherization loan or cash payment, there are many things you can do for little or no cost to save energy and money.

During Heating Season:

- Replace and/or clean air filters on your central heating system regularly.
- Seal leaks in your heating and cooling ducts.
- Apply plastic sheets inside windows to create an extra level of insulation.
- Install scrap insulation or pliable fireproof material in gaps around pipes, ducts, fans or other items which enter your home from unheated areas.
- Close fireplace damper when not in use.
- Lower thermostat to:
 - 68 degrees during waking hours
 - approximately 10 degrees cooler during sleeping hours and when home is vacant
- Add insulation to your attic door and/or basement door.
- Open shades and draperies to allow sunlight in during heating season, but cover your windows tightly at night.
- Install UL-approved foam gaskets behind switch plates and outlets.
- Close off rooms or parts of your home which do not need to be heated.
- Close crawl space vents during the winter.

Energy Audits and Home Weatherization Financing



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As an Idaho Power residential customer in Oregon, you may qualify for a free energy audit, low-interest weatherization loan or cash payment for energy-efficient home improvements.

Energy Audit

Want to find out if your home is energy efficient? If you heat your home mainly with electricity from Idaho Power, we'll provide a free energy audit. If you heat with gas or oil, your natural gas company or oil dealer can arrange an audit for you. If you heat by other means, such as wood or solar, but you have electric water heating, we'll do the audit.

During an audit, we'll analyze your home's current energy efficiency. We estimate roughly how much weatherization (or energy conservation) measures would cost and how much they could save you on your power bill. Then we figure out which measures could save enough money to be cost-effective.

A home energy audit usually takes about 90 minutes, depending on the home.

Weatherization measures save energy and make it less expensive to heat your home in the winter and keep it cool in the summer. Here are some examples:

- Caulking or weather stripping
- Ceiling, floor or wall insulation
- Vapor barrier materials
- Timed thermostats
- Insulation of heating ducts, hot water pipes and water heaters
- Storm doors and windows
- Double- or triple-glazed windows (replacing double-glazed metal frame windows with double-glazed vinyl does not qualify)

Financial Assistance For Weatherization

If you qualify for an Idaho Power audit and you own your home, you may be eligible for a low-interest weatherization loan or cash payment. If you rent, you may want to talk to the owner about this program.

The amount of the low-interest loan or cash payment will depend on how much energy and money the weatherization measures will save you on your power bill. Therefore it is necessary to have an energy audit before you start the weatherization project. It is also important to let Idaho Power inspect the work after it is done to verify that the installation meets acceptable standards.

Weatherization Loan

With approved credit, owners of single family homes, apartments, duplexes and mobile homes may borrow up to \$5,000 at 6.5 percent interest to install the cost-effective weatherization measures identified during the energy audit. Heating and cooling systems are excluded. Only measures which are 100 percent cost-effective will be financed at 6.5 percent. If you want to install other weatherization measures that are not 100 percent cost-effective, the loan will be at a higher interest rate. Interest charges are determined by the cost-effectiveness of the installed measures.

The total amount of your weatherization loans cannot be more than \$5,000. You may take up to 10 years to repay the loan, although your monthly payment must be at least \$15.

Cash Payment

Instead of a loan, you may choose a cash payment of 25 percent of the cost-effective portion of your weatherization measures, or \$1,000, whichever is less. The cash payment amount depends on how much the measures will save you on your power bill, and it is limited by the cost of the measures.

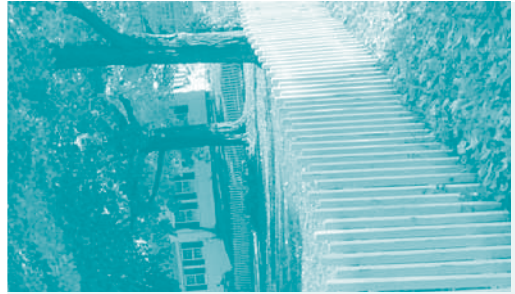
Weatherization Assistance For Qualified Customers

With this program, Idaho Power is working with Community Action Partnership (CAP) agencies to improve the accessibility of weatherization services to households with limited income.

If you think you may qualify, check with the CAP agency in your area or call Idaho Power at 1-800-488-6151. When you call, be sure to tell the customer service representative that you are an Oregon resident interested in Weatherization Assistance for qualified customers.

If you are interested in a home energy audit, weatherization loan or cash payment, please complete and mail the attached postcard to Idaho Power.

YES, I am interested in a home energy audit, weatherization loan or cash payment!



Name _____

Address _____

City, State & Zip _____

Daytime Phone # _____ Evening Phone # _____

Best time to call: Morning Afternoon Evening

I am interested in: An energy audit Loan or cash payment information

My home's primary heating source is: Electricity Natural Gas Oil Other

own rent my home.