

UK BUSINESS 10-STEP WINTER HEALTH CHECK

It's estimated that the average small to mid-sized business in the UK could save between 18-25% on its energy costs by taking simple, energy efficient steps - many of which deliver an average payback within two years.

Here's a quick, 10-point checklist to get you on the right track, plus 3 ways you could make even bigger savings if you're willing and able to invest in longer-term savings opportunities.

- 1 Seal air leaks around windows, doors and other openings, and use window films or curtains to provide additional insulation
- 2 Turn off appliances when not in use; use off-peak where possible
- 3 Check heating settings and use programmable/smart thermostats to automatically adjust temperatures based on occupancy schedules
- 4 Maximise use of natural light where possible and encourage staff to turn off lights in unoccupied areas
- 5 Install motion sensors or timers to automatically control lighting
- 6 Replace traditional bulbs with energy efficient LEDs or CFLs
- 7 Install smart meters to track energy consumption in real-time (*Bonus points if you make this data visible to help raise staff awareness!*)
- 8 Use energy monitoring software to identify patterns and areas for improvements
- 9 Conduct a water audit to identify any issues such as unwanted leaks and other areas where you can be more efficient
- 10 Check you're not out of contract on your energy (or water) suppliers as you'll be paying higher rates than you need to

Did you know...?



Every 1°C of overheating can increase energy costs **by 8%**



Installing the right lights could reduce your lighting costs by **up to 80%**



Smart meters allow for more accurate readings, which can help to **lower your bills**



Optimising water usage and implementing water-saving measures can deliver **up to 30% reduction** in water supply and wastewater disposal charges

CONSIDERING LONGER-TERM INVESTMENTS? ASK US ABOUT...



Generating your own energy

by investing in renewable energy sources such as solar panels & battery storage



Applying for grants, loans, and other green-tech investment opportunities

to support your wider environmental and sustainability goals



Installing electric vehicle (EV) charging points

to power your own fleet and/or create an additional revenue stream. Our EV partner is currently offering free site surveys to look at the viability of installation - so there's never been a better time to take a look