#### **DAILY ENERGY USE CHART**

Date	Daily Reading	kWh used today	Desired kWh use/day	+/- Desired kWh budget	

### Keeping Track of Energy Consumption

Using the daily energy use chart above can help you keep track of where and when you are using the most electricity.

First, figure how much electricity you wish to use per month to stay within your energy budget. Then read your meter daily and record the reading on this chart. Compare your daily totals against your daily budgeted amount and note the difference between your budgeted and actual energy use.

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# **Energy Efficiency of Household Appliances**

Electricity is an essential part of our everyday lives, and each month we purchase exactly the amount of electricity we need to support our lifestyles without giving it much thought.

However, understanding when and how we consume electricity may allow us to manage our energy purchases more efficiently. When we become more aware of our household energy expenditures, we can observe how the use of each appliance affects the electric bill. This allows us to better budget our purchases of electricity.

The amount of electricity purchased each month is the result of two basic components. (1)The electrical requirements of each appliance in the home (watts) and (2) the length of time the appliance is used (hours).

Electric bills are calculated in kilowatt hours (kWh). Kilowatt hours are determined by multiplying the wattage of the appliance by the number of hours it runs. A 100 watt light bulb burning for 10 hours equals 1,000 watt hours and will register on a meter as one kWh:

100 watts X 10 hours = 1,000 Watt hours or 1 kWh

We can lower our bills by (1) reducing the wattage of our appliances or (2) reducing the number of hours we use each appliance. Since the wattage of most appliances is something we cannot control, the easiest way to reduce the electric bill is to reduce the hours the appliances are used, and to use them more efficiently.

You can determine what it costs to operate specific appliances by first finding out the wattage of each appliance (listed on the appliance), multiplying the wattage by the hours it's used and dividing that number by 1,000. Then, multiplying that result by the cost you pay per kWh will tell you what it cost to run per hour.

\_\_watts X \_\_hours X \_\_cost for 1 kWh =

#### ESTIMATED KWH CONSUMPTION OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES

	EST.	EST.		EST.	EST.
Appliance	kWh/ MONTH	COST/ MONTH	Appliance	kWh/ MONTH	COST/ MONTH
Air Purifier (room)	72.00	\$7.92	Nebulizer	1.62	\$0.18
Answering Machine	7.20	\$0.79	Oxygen Concentrator	302.40	\$33.26
Aquarium air pump	3.60	\$0.40	Microwave oven	12.00	\$1.32
Aquarium (50 gal) & accessories	82.80	\$9.11	Oven*	15.00	\$1.65
Battery charger for cordless appl.	4.32	\$0.48	Radio	2.70	\$0.30
Blanket, Electric*	36.00	\$3.96	Range, stove top small burner*	4.50	\$0.50
Blender	0.33	\$0.04	Range, stove top, large burner*	3.56	\$0.39
Bread Maker*	2.80	\$0.31	Refrigerator, new 16 cu ft*	75.60	\$8.32
Bug Light	28.80	\$3.17	Refrigerator, older 16 cu ft*	216.00	\$23.76
Cell Phone Charger	0.36	\$0.04	Home Security System	17.28	\$1.90
Clock	1.44	\$0.16	Septic tank pump	8.00	\$0.88
Clock Radio	1.80	\$0.20	Skillet, electric*	7.50	\$0.83
Clothes Dryer, electric*	82.62	\$9.09	Smoke detector	0.29	\$0.03
Clothes Dryer, gas*	10.71	\$1.18	Swimming pool pump 1 hp	419.52	\$46.15
Coffee Maker*	10.48	\$1.15	Telephone charger	4.32	\$0.48
Computer system&printer	108.00	\$11.88	Tivo	20.16	\$2.22
Computer Monitor, 17" CRT	4.80	\$0.53	Tool battery charger	4.32	\$0.48
Dehumidifier*	144.00	\$15.84	Treadmill 2 HP	27.00	\$2.97
Dishwasher (preheat)*	10.18	\$1.12	TV cable box	25.20	\$2.77
DVD	7.20	\$0.79	TV,standard	27.00	\$2.97
Elec. Air filter on HVAC unit	28.80	\$3.17	TV, projection	39.60	\$4.36
Fan, attic	144.00	\$15.84	TV, plasma	91.80	\$10.10
Fan, ceiling (high speed)	23.40	\$2.57	TV, standby power	10.80	\$1.19
Fan, portable 20"	64.80	\$7.13	Toaster	1.43	\$0.16
Fax machine (always on)	30.96	\$3.41	Trash Compactor	0.75	\$0.08
Freezer, new 16 cu. Ft.*	50.65	\$5.57	Vacuum, central	3.20	\$0.35
Freezer, old 16 cu. Ft.*	97.20	\$10.69	Vaccum, regular	5.60	\$0.62
Garage Door opener	0.50	\$0.06	Video, DVD	0.60	\$0.07
Hair curling iron	15.00	\$1.65	Washing Machine	15.96	\$1.76
Hair dryer	5.52	\$0.61	water bed heater 90 degrees*	72.90	\$8.02
Heater portable*	90.00	\$9.90	Water heater *	324.00	\$35.64
Heating pad	0.24	\$0.03	Well aerator	23.04	\$2.53
Hot Tub 102deg.*	596.16	\$65.58	Well pump, 3/4 hp*	21.96	\$2.42
Hot Tub 100deg., energy efficient*	67.50	\$7.43	Well Pump, 1 hp*	26.64	\$2.93
Iron*	4.00	\$0.44	Well Pump, 1 1/2 hp*	34.56	\$3.80
Lighting, Small Mercury Vapor	63.00	\$6.93			'

<sup>\*</sup> cycling (on & off) is taken into account

Note: Energy consumption is measured in kilowatt hours (kWh) – the units of energy which flow through your electric meter. These estimated monthly costs are computed at 11¢ per kWh.