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Tip of the Month

Boost your home's cooling efficiency by using ceiling and window fans. For best results, run ceiling fans counterclockwise in the summer to create a refreshing breeze.

What's Current

JUNE 2025

VOLUNTEER FOR THE LOAD MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

NOVEC's voluntary load management program helps reduce customer energy costs while alleviating stress on the regional power system when demand is highest. Those who enroll in the program allow NOVEC to adjust how their water heaters and air conditioners handle peak demands. The majority of participants don't notice any changes in comfort or hot water, and the system is only used when necessary, year-round.

In exchange for their voluntary participation in the load management program, customers get an electric water heater checkup and/or an air conditioner service evaluation at no cost. NOVEC will send a service representative to your home for a free evaluation if your air conditioner is not working properly. If your water heater is the problem, eligible malfunctioning electrical parts on the device will be fixed for free, for a value of up to \$425.

By joining the load management program, customers help keep power costs down. For more information go to novec.com/loadmanagement. To enroll, call NOVEC Customer Care at 703-335-0500.

HELP NOVEC BEAT THE PEAK

When demand for energy is highest, the price of electricity increases. NOVEC can reduce its total wholesale power costs by reducing the amount of power consumed during these peak periods. Reductions or increases in these expenses are passed directly on to customers each month, so when NOVEC cuts costs, customers benefit.

Daily tips for reducing electricity when demand is highest:

In the summer, you can turn the thermostat up to 78 or 80 — or turn it off — when you know that no one will be home. A programmable thermostat can make these adjustments automatically.

- Use ceiling fans to keep cooled air circulating; turn them off when you leave the room.
- Run the dishwasher and washing machine only in the late evening or early morning. Heating water uses a lot of energy.
- Turn off all unnecessary lights, appliances, and electronic devices. Unplug them to eliminate waste that happens when some devices are not in use but are still pulling some power through the outlet.

STAY COOL. STAY EFFICIENT.

We're here to help you beat the summer heat. Take advantage of our efficiency programs and energy-saving recommendations designed to help you stay comfortable and cut costs all summer long.



SCAN THIS QR CODE FOR NOVEC'S ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER. LEARN WHERE YOUR ENERGY DOLLARS ARE GOING.

NOVEC 2025 ANNUAL MEETING

Save the Date | Wednesday, Sept. 10

When: 6 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 10

Where: NOVEC Gainesville Technical Center
5399 Wellington Branch Drive
Gainesville, VA 20155

Information about the 2025 NOVEC Annual Meeting and Board of Directors election is posted at novec.com/annualmeeting.



Wade House, NOVEC board chairman, addresses the audience at NOVEC's 2024 Annual Meeting.

COUNTY FAIRS NEAR YOU

We're proud to serve these vibrant communities — here's a list of local county fairs bringing us all together.

Clarke County Fair

Aug. 9-16

Fairfax County 4-H Fair and Carnival

July 31-Aug. 3

Fauquier County Fair

July 16-19

(Look for NOVEC's electric safety demonstration.)

Loudoun County Fair

July 22-26

Prince William County Fair

Aug. 8-16

Stafford County Fair

Oct. 9-12



Bernie Cleveland, equipment operator 1st class, talks to 4-H member Kieran Martinez about the equipment that lineworkers use, while Todd Embrey, line technician 1st class, engages with the crowd at the 2024 Fauquier County Fair.