Peak Time Rebates checklist

Get ready for the next Peak Time Event with this list of savings tips.

To maximize your rebate with the biggest energy savers, start at the top and check the things that you can do. Then work your way down to check off more ways to reduce your energy use during the Peak Time Event.*

Invite everyone in your home to join in, so they can help shift and reduce energy use!

Find other savings tips and learn more about Peak Time Rebates at portlandgeneral.com/ptr

* During Peak Time Events, exercise discretion and consider health impacts when reducing energy use.

^Your actual savings will vary, so there is no guarantee of savings.

1. Air conditioning, fans and blinds

Find the right balance of keeping your home comfortable while reducing your use of air conditioning to save the most energy during a Peak Time Event.

- Close blinds or curtains in the morning to help block the sun from heating your home
- Turn your thermostat up 2 to 3 degrees° during the Peak Time Event or consider turning window A/C units off
- Use fans to circulate air and help you feel cooler
- Limit your use of vent fans in the bathroom and kitchen to 10 minutes to keep cooler air inside

2. Appliances

Washing machines, dishwashers and taking a bath all use a lot of energy from warm or hot water. You can reduce the amount of energy you use during Peak Time Events by shifting that use to different times of the day.

- Plan to wash and dry your laundry before or after the Peak Time Event
- Wait to do your dinner dishes later in the evening
- Hold off on taking a shower or long bath until after the event is over

3. Oven and stove

Not only does your oven use energy, it also heats up your home on a hot day. You can avoid using your oven during Peak Time Events with these tips.

- Choose a cold dinner, like sandwiches or a summer salad
- Pre-cook dinner early in the day and microwave it at dinner time
- Take advantage of the summer season and grill outdoors
- Use your slow cooker, pressure cooker or air fryer to make a healthy, hot meal for your family

4. Electronics

TVs, game consoles, cable boxes, DVD players, computers and phone chargers use energy, even when they are not in use.

- Get ready by charging your cellphones, tablets and laptops before the event and unplug them when the event starts
- Unplug any entertainment electronics you won’t be using during the Peak Time Event, like game consoles or DVD players