



ENERGY STAR® HOME SEALING

KEY SALES MESSAGES:

ENERGY STAR is:

- > A U.S. government-backed symbol of energy efficiency
- > No sacrifice, same features

BENEFITS OF ENERGY STAR HOME SEALING:

- > **Improve Comfort:** Less hot in summer and cold in winter.
- > **Lower Energy Use:** Cut energy bills by up to 10% or about \$150 a year for an average home.
- > **Block Outdoor Pollutants:** Seal out dust, pollen, pollution, and insects.
- > **Quieter Home:** Cut outside noise with home sealing.
- > **Help the Environment:** Reduce air pollution by reducing energy usage.

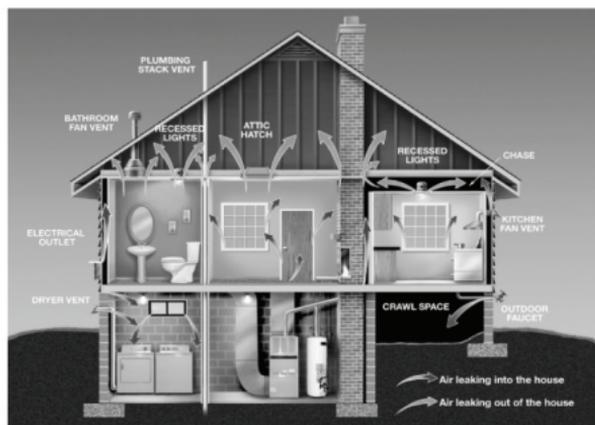


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HOME SEALING

EPA recommends sealing air leaks and adding insulation to make your home more comfortable, reduce energy bills, and help our environment.

Homeowners can improve the "envelope" of their home – the outer walls, ceiling, floors, windows, and doors – to save on energy bills and improve comfort.

COMMON AIR LEAKS:



PRODUCTS USED IN THE ENERGY STAR HOME SEALING PROCESS:

Product	How to Use
Caulk	Seal air leaks around windows, doors, and baseboards to stop uncomfortable drafts. Good for gaps up to 1/2".
High-Temp Caulk	High temperature silicone caulk is good for sealing around chimneys, furnace flues, and dryer vents.
Expanding Spray Foam	Seal larger gaps along basement sill joists, holes for plumbing pipes and wires, and 1/2" to 3" holes in attic floor.
Weather Stripping	Install around windows and doors to stop drafts.
Door Sweeps	Install on bottom of door to reduce drafts and prevent water and insects from entering.
Insulation	Improves comfort during summer and winter. The easiest places for homeowners to install insulation are attics and crawl spaces or unfinished basement walls.
Windows, doors and skylights	Choose energy-efficient replacement windows, doors, and skylights. Just look for the ENERGY STAR logo on windows appropriate for your climate.

DON'T FORGET SAFETY PRODUCTS, SUCH AS GLOVES, DUST MASKS AND SAFETY GLASSES.

For more information on ENERGY STAR Home Sealing, please visit www.energystar.gov/homesealing