

ENERGY CONSERVATION: General Tips for More Efficient Driving

Fuel Conservation Tips



- Fill the fuel tank in the morning or when it is cool
- Do not top off the fuel tank when refueling
- Use A/C only when absolutely necessary; use the flow-through ventilation when possible
- On the open highway, reduce drag by rolling up windows and limiting excess weight
- Turn the engine off if the vehicle will be idling for more than one minute
- Limit vehicle warm-up time to 30 seconds or less;
- Drive at a steady speed
- Accelerate smoothly
- Eliminate unnecessary travel
- Anticipate stops to avoid panic stops
- Take the shortest accessible route
- Combine errands into one trip
- Ride with others whenever possible
- Keep tires properly inflated
- Keep scheduled maintenance appointments
- Use cruise control whenever possible
- Develop a routing plan for multiple stops
- Use public transportation
- Walk or bike when possible
- Take advantage of your employers Telework program, if it is not offered, request it
- Use alternative commuting options such as carpooling and vanpool;
- For more information, go to:
 - www.mwcog.org/commuter/ccindex.html
 - www.naseo.org
 - www.ase.org
 - www.dcenergy.org
 - www.mme.state.va.us
 - www.energy.state.md.us

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