Furnace Filter

The Purpose and Benefits of and the Procedure for Changing your Furnace Filter

Changing the furnace filter helps keep your family healthy

A furnace filter keeps the air in your home clean. If a filter doesn't get changed, it becomes filled with dust and germs.

When this happens:

- The air in your home is filled with dust and germs.
- Dust and germs can make you and your family sick.
- If you have allergies or asthma, you should change the furnace filter more often.

Used -Dusty Furnace Filter

Changing the furnace filter lowers your heating costs

If your furnace filter is clean, your furnace uses less energy to heat your home. If a furnace filter isn't changed, it gets clogged.

When this happens:

- Your furnace has to run longer to heat your home, costing you more money.
- The furnace could stop working.
- If the furnace filter is clogged and this results in damage to your furnace, you may be charged for repairs.

When and how to change your furnace filter

- Check your furnace filter monthly. If it looks dirty or is full of dust and other particles, it needs to be changed.
- There are different sizes, shapes, colours and types of furnace filters.
- If you do not know what size of furnace filter you need or you do not know how to change the filter, call the housing authority for help.

New Furnace Filter

Something to think about… **Change your furnace filter at least every 1 to 3 months to minimize health problems and save on heating costs.**

Contact your local housing authority for more information

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