

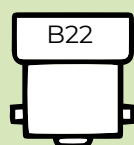
A list of handy Hints & Tips to help you live comfortably while saving money.

- 1. Change all your existing light bulbs from Halogen to LED.** This will cut your bills significantly. Changing from 60-watt bulbs across your home can reduce your lighting electricity consumption by 85%. Essentially the lower energy light bulbs will pay for themselves over the course of just a few months.
- 2. By turning down the thermostat to your Central Heating by 1 degree, you will lower your heating bills significantly.** This could save you up to £100 per year and you most likely will not feel the difference.
- 3. Bleed your radiators every 6 months** to make sure your radiators are working at their optimum temperature.
- 4. Only boil what you need.** Try not to fill your kettle when making a brew. On the side of your kettle will be an indicator of how many cups of tea or coffee you need to make.
- 5. Reduce the usage of your appliances.** A washing machine / tumble dryer costs around £0.50 pence per hour to use. An electric heater costs around £0.70 pence per hour to use. Try to purchase A* rated appliances where possible when you need to replace them.
- 6. Plug your wash basin when washing your dishes.** This will reduce your water usage and your bills.
- 7. Have a shower instead of a bath.** You can save up to 25% on your household bills.
- 8. Extractor fans are a very important part of your home's ventilation.** The fans that we fit run constantly and adjust with the level of condensation as required. These fans typically cost around £1.50 per year to run. Please do not turn these fans off. They drastically reduce the risk of condensation and mould in your home.
- 9. When showering and cooking it is very important to remove all excess steam from your home.** Prior to showering or cooking please make sure that the door to the Kitchen or Bathroom is closed to prevent moist air from entering the rest of your home. Your extractor fan will remove the majority of this, but it will also help if you open a window after showering or cooking. The steam that you see, eventually cools, and settles as condensation allowing mould to grow on surfaces and windows. It is important to get this air out of your home as soon as possible.
- 10. Wigan Council will provide you with the following bins.**
 - Black** - General waste.
 - Green** - Grass, Twigs, Leaves, Food.
 - Brown** - Cans, Tins, Glass, Plastic.
 - Blue** - Paper / Cardboard.

For more information, please go to www.wigan.gov.uk/WhichBin
Please recycle to help save the environment

Common UK Light Bulb Fittings

Large Bayonet



22mm

Large Screw



27mm

Small Screw



14mm

Bi-pin



10mm

Bi-pin



5.3mm