

Remember to Replace Your Thermostat Batteries

You don't want to be without heat on cold, winter days. Thermostats with dead batteries will not allow your heating unit to operate.

If you are wondering if your thermostat even has batteries here is some information that you will find helpful:

Round Honeywell Thermostats

Most older round thermostats, such as the Honeywell Model T87, do not require batteries whether they are the older gold models or the newer white models. The



old models worked by turning the dial which causes mercury in a tube to make a connection between the two wires and activate the furnace. Simple system with no extra frills that require no additional electricity.

Digital Honeywell Thermostats



The newer Honeywell thermostats are now digital and typically require additional electricity but they get it from the furnace fan center and not from batteries.

Digital Thermostats with Batteries

Thermostats that do require battery power such as the one shown here are usually rectangular and digital. You can see that there would be room



for usually two AA batteries within. It is a simple matter to check for batteries by prying the cover off from the base. Many digital thermostats will have a reading that shows what the life of the battery is on the screen. If you don't know how to access this information read the instructions provided with the thermostat. If you do not have this paperwork, go to the manufacturer's website and they will have it there for the model of your thermostat.

Save the Cost of a Service Call!

We recommend that you pass along this information to friends and family and save them from having to pay for a service call. Sometimes if you have no heat the solution can be as simple as replacing the batteries in your thermostat. So please help your family, friends, and neighbors stay warm by reminding them of the simple act of checking and/or changing the batteries in their thermostats.

Enjoy the Convenience of the Automatic Payment Plan

Sign up and receive a \$20 credit on your electric bill! Credit is for first-time ACH participants only. ACH (Automated Clearing House) allows transfer of funds from your checking or savings account directly to Chippewa Valley Electric's account to pay your electric bill. A direct withdrawal would be made on the due date of each month for the amount of your bill. If you are interested in participating in this convenient payment method, please fill out the form below and return it to our office with the required information. The sign-up deadline is March 31, 2015.

I want to participate in the Automatic Payment Plan

Name(s) on CVEC Bill _____

CVEC Account Number _____

Billing Address _____

Work Phone _____

Home Phone _____

Your Financial Institution _____

Account Number _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

If your payment is to be delivered from a checking account, enclose a blank check. Write VOID across it and DO NOT SIGN IT. If your payment is to be deducted from a savings account, enclose a deposit slip that includes your account number. Please allow one month for the set up of the Automatic Payment Plan.

CVEC has the right to cancel use of the Automatic Payment Plan. I will write to CVEC if I decide to cancel my use of the Automatic Payment Plan.

Account Holder(s) _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Note: Only first time ACH participants are eligible for the \$20 credit. Member must remain on ACH for a minimum of 18 months. Sign-up deadline is March 31, 2015. Mail this form with your current payment or mail it separately to CVEC, P.O. Box 575, Cornell, WI 54732. For more information, call 715-239-6800 or 1-800-300-6800.

Did You Have a Busy Holiday at Home?

This energy bill, and possibly even the next, may be higher than you had expected. Please consider the following as you review your bill.

- **You used more energy –**
Because of the holidays, you may have had guests or your children were home. This would have caused you to use more energy for electronics, cooking, cleaning and lighting.
- **The weather is colder –**
With normal weather conditions, December typically is 10 percent colder than November. Colder weather tends to increase your heating costs.

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