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There is no reason you and your family have to freeze again this winter! **Insulation is one of lowest cost ways to increase the energy efficiency of your home.** If your house is cold and drafty or was built before 1980, you would probably benefit from adding insulation.

### **DO YOUR OWN HOME ENERGY AUDIT**

You can easily conduct a home energy audit yourself. With a simple but diligent walk through, you will be able to spot many problems in any type of house. When auditing your home, the checklist of below will help you prioritize your energy efficiency upgrades.

Use this self-audit to evaluate your homes need to be sealed. Note the areas you have inspected and problems you found. When you have finished, call **Metro NY Insulation & Weatherization** for advice on how to plug the leaks that are costing you money in higher heating and cooling bills.

**Begin by checking the exterior doors for these possible leaks:**

- Cracks where the door meets the frame.
- The joint between the frame and the exterior and interior walls of the house.
- The bottom of the door at the threshold.
- Between the base of the threshold and the floor underneath.
- If your door has windows, are they properly glazed or is the glazing old and cracked or missing entirely?
- If the doors have weather-stripping, is it still in good shape or does it need replacement?
- Does your home have adequate storm doors and are they properly hung and caulked?

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**Look at your Windows next:**

- How many windows have moving parts that allow leaks?
- Are there any gaps or flaws in construction around the frame?
- What is the condition of the compound around the glass? Is it old & cracked?
- Are seams around the window trim caulked?
- If weather-stripping exists, is it adequate or in need of replacement?
- Are any windowpanes cracked or broken, and need replacing?
- Are storm windows installed and properly fitted and caulked?

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**Once you have covered all the conventional openings, look for the not-so-obvious ones:**

- Foundation cracks or crack in basement walls
- Utility pipes
- Phone, electrical, or cable lines, mail slot, clothes dryer vent
- Outside light connections, electrical outlets
- Gaps or loose mortar between blocks, bricks, or stone facing
- Improper insulation around window air conditioning units
- Gaps around roof flashing as well as split or loose shingles
- Poor drainage around house (damaged, blocked or poorly connected downspouts)
- Is your furnace properly cleaned and tuned for maximum efficiency?
- Do you set your thermostat too high in winter and too low in summer?
- Do you turn your thermostat down when you are out of the house for several hours?
- Is your thermostat located improperly (close to a heat or cool source or an outside wall)?
- Is your hot water heater set too high?
- Are you lighting and heating or cooling unused or seldom used rooms?
- Have you insulated your hot and cold water pipes and heating and air conditioning ducts?

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*Weatherizing your home is an investment that saves you money year after year.*

Take advantage of the government's **Economic Stimulus Package** and get a tax credit for **30% of the cost of weatherizing!**

**Call Metro NY Insulation & Weatherization today with any questions or concerns regarding you DIY Home Energy Audit!**

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