Electric Space Heaters, What you should know.

Marshfield Utilities



THE EXPENSE OF RUNNING SPACE HEATERS

Please note that a typical space heater uses 1500 watts of electricity. 1 hour of operation consumes 1.5 kilowatt hours.

At Marshfield Utilities current rate of \$.08514, that 1500 watt space heater will cost you \$.13 per hour of operation.

If you operate that space heater 24 hours a day for a full month, it will cost you just over \$90.00.

Marshfield Utilities, a not-forprofit utility works to maintain the lowest rates for our customers. We're proud to provide one of the least expensive electric rates within the state of Wisconsin.

We do our best to inform our customers about the best practices of conserving on your utilities. If you have questions or concerns regarding your energy consumption, or would like a home energy audit, please contact our Energy & Water Conservation Coordinator.

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BECAUSE ELECTRIC SPACE HEATER USE A LOT OF WATTAGE:

It is important that the circuit used to power your space heater is rated at 20 amps. No other larger appliance should be used on the circuit supplying power to the space heater.

Do not use electric space heaters on a 15 amp circuits, since

this may trip the circuit or cause damage to your wiring.

Electric space heaters should be used only in the room you are occupying, as supplemental heating, and not as a stand alone heat supply. Please be sure to read and follow all manufacture instructions prior to using electric space heaters.



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Inappropriate use of electric space heaters cause 55 million dollars a year in property damage.
- Never use extension cords to power a space heater.
- Never leave a running electric space heater unattended.
- Only use space heaters with a safety anti-tip switch.
- Electric space heaters should be kept away from combustible materials such as curtains, rugs, furniture, and clothing.