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Air Conditioners

Now that the summer season is just round the corner, we will soon be feeling its unbearable heat and we will therefore switch on Air Conditioners on a daily basis.



While it is very important to keep a cool working environment during the hot summer months, we should keep in mind that air conditioners use a high amount of electricity to operate. In order to save energy and reduce costs, staff is to abide by the following simple rules:

1. **Switch off Air Conditioners when rooms are unattended.**
2. **Do not forget to switch off Air Conditioners when the working day is over.**
3. **Keep doors and windows shut so as not to lose the cool air.**

Quick Facts on Air Conditioners

Early commercial applications of air conditioning were manufactured to cool air for industrial processing rather than personal coolness. Over time air conditioning came to be used to improve coolness in homes and cars. Residential sales expanded dramatically in the 1950s.

The less you use the AC, the less electricity you use. When the AC is running regardless of the level, you are paying for it, and when it is off, you are not. Keep your windows closed while the AC is off so as not to let in additional hot air and humidity.

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