# MAY 2025 NEWS



### Upgrade Your Heating Equipment Now

Spring and early summer are the perfect times to upgrade your home's heating and hot water systems—before the rush of the busy winter season. Contractors are more available, and you'll have peace of mind knowing your equipment is ready to perform when you need it most.

VGS makes upgrading even easier with instant rebates on energy-efficient natural gas equipment available right at the point of purchase, with no paperwork after installation! These rebates cover efficient boilers, furnaces, and water heaters, and are processed directly with the distributor to reduce your upfront costs.

When planning your upgrade, ask your contractor about VGS rebates. Plus, you can combine these savings with low-cost financing through Green Mountain Credit Union and take advantage of up to \$600 in federal tax credits for qualifying highefficiency equipment.

Don't wait for your system to fail during winter's busy season. Plan ahead, save money, and stay comfortable all year long with an energy-efficient upgrade. Learn more: https://vgsvt.com/efficiency



# Spring Into Efficiency

Spring is the perfect time to refresh your home and make some low-cost energy improvements. As you embark on your spring cleaning, consider incorporating a few energy-saving measures that can enhance your home's efficiency and reduce your utility bills.

One of the simplest and most effective tasks is cleaning or replacing the filters in your furnace, heat pump and air purifier. Over time, these filters can become clogged with dust and debris, restricting airflow and forcing your heating and cooling systems to work harder. By keeping filters clean, you ensure that your systems operate efficiently, maintaining optimal airflow and reducing energy consumption.

While you're at it, take the opportunity to seal any leaks around windows and doors. Drafts can cause your heating and cooling systems to run more frequently, wasting energy. Use weatherstripping or caulk to seal gaps and prevent air leakage. Spring is also a great time to install a web-enabled "smart" thermostat which can help you manage your energy use more effectively. This device allows you to set your heating and cooling systems to run less frequently when you're not home or asleep, saving energy without sacrificing comfort.

Insulating your home is another cost-effective way to improve energy efficiency. Adding insulation to your attic, walls, and basements can help maintain a consistent indoor temperature, reducing the need for heating and cooling.

As you tidy up, think ahead - it is a great time to plan home upgrades that boost comfort and cut costs. Check out VGS's weatherization offers at https://vgsvt.com/ energy-audit

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# Are you Planning to Move?

If you're planning on moving, don't forget to contact VGS to close your account. If you're moving to another address that VGS serves, you can also contact us to transfer service.

Spring is a busy season for moves. Avoid the last-minute rush or the need to call by scanning this QR Code or visit vgsvt.com to submit an online request today.



### Keep Landscaping and Large Objects Away from your Meter

Your gas meter is an important piece of equipment and it's critical that we have unrestricted access to your meter for routine inspections, maintenance, and emergency services. Please do not place mulch, topsoil,

rocks or large shrubs in contact with your meter. Avoid building structures like fences, sheds or decks near your meter. If your meter is located where



vehicles could collide with it, you should build a proper barricade. If you have any questions about any of these topics, please call 802-863-4511.

## Schedule Your Inspection

As the weather warms up, it's a great time to

think ahead and get your home ready for the next winter season. It's important to ensure your heating system regularly inspected so it will run efficiently and safely when you need it. VGS recommends scheduling an inspection



now. This gives adequate lead time so our service technicians can identify and repair any leaks, inefficiencies, or worn-out components well ahead of the next heating season.

Don't wait for the chill to set in; secure your appointment today by emailing customerservice@vermontgas.com or calling (802) 863-4511.

#### Contact DigSafe Before you Start Spring and Summer Projects



#### If you plan to do any type of

digging on your property, you or your contractor must contact Dig Safe™ at DigSafe.com or by calling 811 at least 72 hours prior to digging. This free service will help prevent damage to utility lines located around your property. Dig Safe will notify member utilities who will make sure these lines are marked. After marking, any work done within 18 inches of the marked lines should be done by hand. These steps will help keep you and your property safe.

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