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The fact that we have taken our planet for granted for so long has brought on many serious problems and we all have to change our lifestyles in order to protect it. By doing so, we also save money in many cases. For example, draught proof your home and reduce your energy bills. No matter how we look at it, it is a win-win situation for both our pockets and our planet.

That said, even the smallest point of infiltration must be dealt with in order to achieve this, and so every area of the home must be carefully inspected to deal with each accordingly. An open flame from a lighted candle should help to determine any of these points of infiltration.

One place that most homeowners neglect to deal with are external wall electrical boxes, whether they are outlets or light switches. These are certain to cause draughts so make sure to fill them with specially formulated phone sealers that are designed specifically for this purpose. To correct this problem, remove the plate with a screwdriver, fill with the formula, allow to dry and replace the plate. These precautionary measures by turning off the main electrical breaker prior to beginning.

Follow the same procedure for the entry doors, garage doors and windows around the frames. If there is any draught, you will have to remove moldings from around them and fill with the appropriate foam sealant.

An outdoor inspection will also be necessary to uncover any compromised caulking around the windows and doors of the home. With time and weather, they can be damaged, shrunken or cracked allowing air to penetrate. Never caulk on top of another older layer, however because it is useless to do so. Scrape off the old and apply a new one.

The doors may also need added attention in the form of foam or rubber insulation strips. This is a quick and easy task for anyone no matter what their skill level. Simply clean the area and allow to dry. Then remove the backing slowly to expose only bits of the sticky side at a time to ensure perfect adherence.

Use a similar product to deal with heat loss that can be occurring around your dryer exhaust at the external wall. Very often, homeowners simply attach the flexible pipe without the slightest care. If it seems as though it is well fitted, but it only needs to be treated with a bead of caulking around the circumference of the pipe, however.

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