# RUNNING COST GUIDE 

## Understanding how

 much it costs to run your household appliances will help you to reduce your energy bill.

## How to work out the amount of energy used

To calculate the amount of energy used by each appliance you need to take the power rating of the appliance in $\mathrm{kW}(1000 \mathrm{~W}=1 \mathrm{~kW})$ and multiply it by the number of hours used. This will give you the kWh .
Power rating in $k W \times$ hours used per day $=k W h$

## How to calculate the energy cost of each appliance

In order to calculate the cost you need to multiply the kWh by the unit cost (you can find this on your energy bill).
kWh per day x unit cost $=$ electricity cost per day

## Examples

9 kW electric shower and an energy unit cost of $34 \mathrm{p} / \mathrm{kWh}$.
Cost to have a 10 minute shower

- $9 \mathrm{~kW} \times 34 \mathrm{p}=£ 3.06$
- 10 minutes $=£ 3.06 / 6-51 \mathrm{p}$
- 10 minute shower each day would cost $£ 186$.

3 kW fan heater and an energy unit cost of $34 \mathrm{p} / \mathrm{kWh}$.
The fan runs 2 hours per day.

- $3 \mathrm{~kW} \times 2$ hours $=6 \mathrm{kWh}$
- $6 \times 34$ p = £2.04 per day

The following calculations are based on the average cost of electricity during October 2022, which is 34 p per kWh .
These are examples of the type of the watt per appliance, do check the wattage for your appliance and the unit cost per kWh displayed on your electricity bill.

| Appliance | Watt | kW | Cost for use | Annual Cost |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| De-Humidifier | 700 | 0.7 | 20 p per hour | Based on 4 hrs a day for 6mths £174 |
| Dishwasher | 1500 | 1.5 | 43p per load | Based on 1hr daily use $=£ 186$ |
| DrySoon Heated Airer | 283 | 0.283 | 8 p per hour | Based on 36 hrs a week for 6mths $=£ 90$ |
| Electric Blanket | 100 | 0.1 | 3 p per hour | Based on 8hr a night for 6 months $=£ 50$ |
| Electric lawn mower | 1800 | 1.8 | 51p per hour | Based on 1 hour per week for 8 months $=£ 20$ |
| Electric shower | 9000 | 9 | 43 p per 10 minutes | Based on 110 min daily shower $=£ 187$ |
| Electric Oven | 2200 | 2.2 | 62p per hour | Based on 2 hrs daily = £546 |
| Fridge freezer | 38 | 0.03825 | $26 p$ per day | £114 per year |
| Fridge | 12 | 0.012 | 8p per day | £36 per year |
| Freezer | 19 | 0.0195 | 14p per day | $£ 58$ per year |
| Games Console (Xbox) | 142 | 0.142 | 16p per day (4 hours) | Based on daily use $=£ 70$ |
| Fan heater (2kW) | 2000 | 2 | 57p per hour | Based on 2 hrs a day for 6 months $=£ 248$ |
| Hair Straighteners | 75 | 0.075 | 2 p per hour | Based on $1 / 2$ hr daily $=£ 5$ |
| Hairdryer | 2300 | 2.3 | 33 per $1 / 2$ hour | Based on $1 / 4$ hr daily $=£ 71$ |
| Hot Tub (inflatable) | 2200 | 2.2 | $£ 2.85$ a day | Based on 6mths $=£ 625$ |
| Immersion Heater | 3000 | 3 | 85 p per hour | Based on 2 hrs a day = £745 |
| Iron | 2800 | 2.8 | 79p per hour | Based on 2 hrs a week =£99 |
| Kettle | 3000 | 3 | 85p per hour | Based on 1 hr a week $=£ 53$ |
| Laptop | 42 | 0.042 | lp per hour | Based on 5 hours a day, 5 days every week = £17 |
| Microwave | 1000 | 1 | 28p per hour | Based on 3 hrs a week $=£ 53$ |
| Oil Filled Radiator | 1500 | 1.5 | 43 p per hour | Based on 2 hrs a day for $6 \mathrm{mths}=£ 186$ |
| Pond pump Large | 350 | 0.35 | $£ 2.40$ a day | Based on daily use $=£ 1,042$ |
| Pond pump Medium | 60 | 0.06 | 41p a day | Based on daily use $=£ 179$ |
| Pond Pumps Small | 18 | 0.018 | 12 p a day | Based on daily use $=£ 54$ |
| Pressure Washer | 1800 | 1.8 | 51p per hour | Based on 1 hr a week $=£ 32$ |
| Tumble Dryer | 2500 | 2.5 | 71 p per hour | Based on 2 hrs a week $=£ 221$ |
| Vacuum Cleaner | 750 | 0.75 | 21p per hour | Based on 2 hrs a week = £26 |
| Vivarium Heat Lamps | 100 | 0.1 | 42p a day (14 hrs) | Based on daily use $=£ 174$ |
| Vivarium Heat Lamps | 160 | 0.16 | 70p a day (14 hrs) | Based on daily use $=£ 278$ |
| Vivarium Heat Mat | 16 | 0.016 | $12 \mathrm{p} \mathrm{a} \mathrm{day} \mathrm{(24hrs)}$ | Based on daily use $=£ 48$ |
| Vivarium LED light | 7 | 0.007 | $5 \mathrm{p} \mathrm{a} \mathrm{day} \mathrm{(24hrs)}$ | Based on daily use $=£ 21$ |

