

How can you maximize your savings with Rate DT?

Just make good use of your dual-energy system.

Your dual-energy system has:



- an indicator light to show what price you're being billed for your electricity. When the light is off, electricity is billed at the lower price and it is less expensive to heat using electricity. When it's on, electricity will be billed at the higher price and it is to your advantage to heat your home using fuel, such as oil.

We advise you to use less hot water and cut back on the nonessential use of electrical appliances when the higher price applies.

You'll save 80% on electricity consumption that is put off until it isn't as cold out.



- an automatic switch to go from one energy source to the other. Depending on the outdoor temperature, the system automatically switches from electricity to fuel or vice-versa, whichever is more economical.

We suggest you keep the switch set to dual-energy mode.

Questions?

Do you need to replace your existing heating system or upgrade some components? When combined with Rate DT, dual energy is probably the most economical option. Whatever your situation, crunch the numbers before making a decision. A dual-energy system installer or a dual-energy contractor can help you with the process.

Have you decided to replace your dual-energy heating system with one that is not dual energy? If so, you're no longer eligible for Rate DT. Please contact us as soon as possible so that we can change the rate applicable to your contract.



For more information about Rate DT or dual-energy, go to hydroquebec.com/rate-dt, or call customer services:

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For more information about Rate DT and how a dual-energy system works, go to hydroquebec.com/rate-dt.

ENERGY WISE

Dual Energy and Rate DT

Wise choice, great rate!

For comfort and savings

A dual-energy heating system uses two energy sources: electricity and a fuel, like oil. The fuel serves as a source of backup heating in extremely cold weather. This reduces the total amount of electricity used in Québec during the peak demand period in winter.

Hydro-Québec offers Rate DT to users of dual-energy systems. It's a more economical rate, with pricing that varies depending on the outdoor temperature.

Better overall

Electricity at Rate DT is lower than Rate D* all year, except on really cold days when the temperature drops below -12°C or -15°C, depending on the area. Since this happens only a few days a year, you will achieve savings on your annual energy bill (electricity and fuel combined). So Rate DT will help you save!

* Rate D: basic residential rate.

New: Drop in energy prices

The Régie de l'énergie approved a decrease in Rate DT electricity prices, effective April 1, 2017. This will allow you to save even more with your dual-energy system!

How is Rate DT applied?

This rate has two prices that apply depending on the outdoor temperature.

- When the outdoor temperature is above or equal to -12°C or -15°C (depending on where you live), you pay the lower price for electricity and it is less expensive to have the heating system run on electricity.
- When the outdoor temperature drops below -12°C or -15°C (depending on where you live), the higher price goes into effect, and it becomes less expensive to heat with fuel.

Energy to use for home heating

Outdoor temperature	Temperature above or equal to -12°C or -15°C (depending on where you live)	Temperature below -12°C or -15°C (depending on where you live)
Price of electricity at Rate DT effective April 1, 2017	4.48¢/kWh	26.21¢/kWh
Energy source to use for heating*	Electricity	Oil

* Given an estimated cost of oil of \$0.79/L, based on the Montréal average, from August 2016 to March 2017.

Source: Régie de l'énergie, Relevé hebdomadaire des prix du mazout léger, week of March 6, 2017.

Save on your annual energy costs

Look at this comparison of average energy costs for a 158-m² (about 1,700-sq. ft.) single-family home with four occupants in Montréal.

	Heating and other uses ¹
Electricity Electricity billed at Rate D	\$2,014
Dual energy (Electricity and oil) Electricity billed at Rate DT: \$1,349 + oil ² : \$211	\$1,560
Annual savings	\$454

Electricity rates at April 1, 2017.

¹ Space heating, hot water and other basic uses.

² Estimated cost of oil: \$0.79/L, based on the Montréal average, from August 2016 to March 2017.

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Extra savings in summer

Do you use central air-conditioning or a pool heater? Rate DT can also help you save on energy costs for systems that run at full capacity in summer.

	Central air-conditioning	Pool heater
Summer consumption	800 kWh	4,000 kWh
Electricity billed at Rate D ¹	\$71	\$357
Electricity billed at Rate DT ²	\$36	\$179
Annual savings	\$35	\$178

¹ Consumption billed at second tier of Rate D at April 1, 2017 (after first 33 kWh per day).

² Consumption billed at lower Rate DT price, at April 1, 2017.