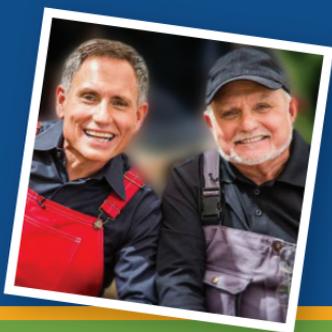


On the House

With the Carey Brothers
Tips of the Month



SLASH YOUR HEATING COSTS WITH INFRARED ZONE HEATING!

Are you seeking ways to lower your winter heating bill? If you've insulated, caulked, sealed and performed other energy-efficient upgrades and your heating costs are still more than you can bare and, worse, you're still chilly, you may want to consider investing in a portable heater. A portable heater is not a replacement for a whole-home heating system. It is designed to heat certain areas (zones) of your home without the need to fire up your whole house heating system. When it comes to heating costs and comfort, remember the 80/20 rule. Most people spend 80% of their time in only 20% of their home. Why pay to heat your entire home if you're only occupying part of it?

Keep in mind that not all portable heaters are created equal. The old standby has been a cheap, inefficient and potentially dangerous electric-resistance coil heater. Thanks to advances in portable heating systems, today you can get the best bang for your portable heating buck with a heater that utilizes infrared technology. Many traditional space heaters run constantly, get very hot and can be a fire hazard. In contrast, infrared heating can maintain an even, comfortable heat setting by running as little as 15 or 20 minutes per hour. The difference is the transfer of heat. The infrared warmth is absorbed by your body – similar to infrared waves from the sun. Everything in the heating zone absorbs the heat – carpeting, furnishings, clothing, blankets AND people. The zone is heated with less energy because of the process of transferring infrared heat.

A leading infrared portable zone heater manufacturer, SUNHEAT International, uses 24 ounces of copper and six commercial-grade quartz tubes to compose the heat chamber of it's newest, fully American-made model, the new Original SUNHEAT USA 1500. These core elements, combined with a high velocity fan and washable filter, produce a heat output equaling your room temperature plus 120°F. This highly efficient output allows the infrared heat to be absorbed by the moisture in the air as it's pulled through the heat chamber. The heated air then flows out of the heater and transfers soft infrared warmth to the people and objects in the room, heating up to 1,000 square feet. Consequently, you will be able to turn down the furnace that's working unnecessarily to heat the rest of your home, which will slash heating costs. The U.S Energy Information Administration (EIA) estimates that for every degree you lower the temperature setting on the furnace you will save 3% to 5% off your heating costs.

The new Original SUNHEAT USA 1500 is safe for use around children and pets without the fear of being burned and comes with an elegantly finished oak cabinet on durable casters for easy movement.

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