

FUEL SAVING TIPS

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1: DRIVE AT A MODERATE SPEED

This is the biggest factor. Driving at 55 mph instead of 65 or 75 will save you money.

2: DRIVE SMOOTHLY

Avoid hard acceleration and braking whenever possible.

3: REDUCE UNNECESSARY DRAG

At highway speeds, more than 50% of engine power goes to overcoming aerodynamic drag. So don't carry things on top of your vehicle when you don't have to.

4: DON'T USE PREMIUM FUEL IF YOU DON'T HAVE TO.

If your car specifies regular fuel, don't buy premium under the mistaken belief that your engine will run better

5: MINIMIZE DRIVING WITH A COLD ENGINE

Engines run most efficiently when they are warm.

6: KEEP TIRES PROPERLY INFLATED

Check the pressure of your vehicle's tires at least once a month with a tire gauge.

7: BUY TIRES WITH LOWER ROLLING RESISTANCE

A tire's rolling resistance can add or detract another 1 or 2 mpg.

8: AVOID IDLING FOR LONG PERIODS

As a rule, turn off your engine if you expect to sit for more than about 30 seconds.

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East Hampton Town Adopt-A-Road Clean-Up Continues

LWVH member Eva Moore of Montauk, pictured, helped Arlene Hinkemeyer collect litter in June on the League's designated street of Pantigo Place, which the League has pledged to clean monthly.