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## **Extend Your Furnace Life With These Tips**

likely to arise. Your home should be The lifespan of your equipment depends on multiple factors: the no different in terms of HVAC equipment itself, frequency of use, upkeep. Your furnace works hard and and how it's treated. When it comes is critical for your health and safety. to your furnace, you want to Regular tuneups allow it to keep postpone replacement as long as working in top shape. It also allows possible. That doesn't mean ignoring the technicians to diagnose potential the telltale signs of failure, but rather problems early so you can deal with preventing them as much as them before they become major possible. Some things are out of your issues. control, like the weather and how long your furnace will be needed **Clean Ductwork** each season. Here are the things you You may not think that your can control so your furnace lasts ductwork matters to your furnace longer and works better for your but it's all connected. A buildup of family. dust can affect your blower and

#### **Frequent Tuneups**

In the commercial and industrial world, equipment maintenance is scheduled at regular intervals. It's tracked and if not done, issues are



# Air Fryer Salmon

## **Ingredients:**

- 2 6 oz. salmon fillets
- 2 tsp. olive oil
- 1/4 tsp. ground black pepper Nonstick cooking spray
- 1/2 tsp. seasoned salt. Lemon wedges, to serve

## **Directions:**

- 1. Preheat an air fryer at 400°F for 2 minutes.
- 2. Drizzle the flesh (top) side of the salmon with the olive oil and sprinkle with the seasoned salt and pepper.
- 3. Spray the inside of an air fryer basket with nonstick cooking spray. Place the salmon fillets skin side down in the air fryer. Cook for 8 minutes, or until the thickest part of the salmon flakes easily with a fork and the flesh is opaque. (An instant-read thermometer should read between 130°F and 135°F, for medium rare. You can add an extra 2 to 4 minutes to the cook time if you like salmon more well done.)
- 4. Serve immediately with lemon wedges.

https://www.thepioneerwoman.com/food-cooking/recipes/a44775880/air-fryer-salmon-recipe/



compromise the function of components. Having clean ductwork keeps both you and your furnace healthy and boosts longevity. Win win.

Extend Your Furnace Life With These Tips (Cont.)

#### **Replace Your Filter**

A dirty filter causes all sorts of problems. As with the ductwork, dust is highly toxic. on your filter can blow through and affect components. You also cause issues with pressure drop across your High efficiency furnaces produce blower which then has to work harder to move air throughout your home. You'll have less air flowing and properly. Keeping condensate tubes compromised performance.

#### **Keep Your Furnace Room Clear** of Clutter

Your furnace room might have some extra space but it's not a storage closet. Too many items in there will cause problems with airflow, limiting combustion air that's critical for the burners to work properly. Not only is this a performance and longevity issue for your furnace, it's also a safety concern.

Incomplete combustion results in carbon monoxide production which

#### **Keep Condensate Line Clear**

condensate which needs to be removed for your furnace to work clear is important for your furnace to run smoothly and therefore to extend its life. Make frequent checks to ensure that it remains clear for condensate to flow where it needs to g0.

If you need help taking care of your furnace so it lasts longer, give us a call and we can help you extend its life.

## Why You Need To Say "No"

The word "no" is so short yet so powerful. Unfortunately, many of us money and energy. Use it for your find it difficult to say no, often to avoid conflict. While it is important to help others in need and you can't turn your back on commitments, there are times when you just have to turn people down. Knowing when It's Important For Setting to say "no" and being able to say it firmly without giving in to pressure is important for your mental, physical and spiritual health. Here are four reasons why you need to get better at saying "no".

#### You Have Limited Resources

If you find that there aren't enough hours in the day, you're endlessly strapped for cash and exhausted before the day even begins, chances are you're ignoring limitations. You

only have a certain amount of time, priorities and say no to the rest. You'll prevent burnout and will even benefit financially from respecting those limits.

# **Boundaries**

Saying no inherently sets boundaries. It lets others know what activities you are able or unable to carry out. It tells them what you are willing to tolerate and draws lines that they should not cross. If your "no" is weak or non-existent, your boundaries are thus weak and non-existent. Boundaries might seem limiting but without them, your life can become unbearable as you spread yourself too thin and others are allowed to dictate how you live.

#### Why You Need To Say "No" (Cont.)

#### It Shows Respect For Yourself (and Others)

Setting and keeping boundaries through the act of saying "no" when needed is a form of self respect. It also allows you to respect others when they say "no" and set their boundaries. It fosters healthy relationships as you are less likely to resent those around you who are making all the demands (and requests) that you want to say "no" to but can't.

Your "Yes" Is Worth More When you are able to say "no" when you mean it, your "yes" then becomes genuine and more meaningful. You're no longer just saying yes to avoid conflict or to please others. You're no longer using your precious resources to carry out

The best housewarming gift...

Is a furnace.

## Customer: "What brand is mv furnace?"

Tech: "It's an old Buster Brown - It's brown on the top and busted on the bottom."

when you mean it, honestly and completely.

Hopefully now you're clear about why your "no" is important for your overall well being. If you're used to agreeing to most requests and those around you aren't used to getting turned down, take it slow but stay the course so you'll have a healthier, happier life.

tasks you'd rather not do (breeding resentment that can destroy you and your relationships). You say yes only

# Coupon Corner

# \$89.99

### Furnace Tune-up

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# HVAC MATH

Solve the math problems usting the HVAC icons!

