



Building Temperature Settings

The University imposed a temperature setback directive in 1998 to conserve energy; this was part of an Energy Performance Contract which is currently saving MSU over \$1M per year. The climate controls are not turned off; the parameters within which the temperatures vary are adjusted. An automated controls system resets the upper or lower building temperatures from normal comfort level (70-75 degrees) when the building transitions to an Unoccupied-Mode and then returns to the comfort level prior to the next Occupied-Mode. In the summer time, the comfort zone of 70-75 degrees is allowed to drift to 80 degrees; in the winter the comfort zone is allowed to drop to 60 degrees. An Unoccupied-Mode, for purposes of building control, is defined as other than normal University business hours and when no classes are scheduled.

An over-ride of the Unoccupied-Mode is only permitted with approval from the Facilities Management Director. The request of the Director is to be made by the major administrator responsible for the organization making use of the space for which a temperature change is requested.