

Close the Door!

Keep Exterior Doors, Walk-Ins & Back Doors Closed and Airtight

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energy tip



THE OPPORTUNITY

Leaving the **back door** open allows heated air (in winter) and cooled air (in summer) to escape from the Club. Leaving **refrigerated box doors** open adds to refrigeration costs and has a negative impact on food quality. Leaving *any* doors from conditioned spaces open unnecessarily adds to Brae Burn Country Club's operational costs.

Doors that stay open too long will:

- Waste energy
- Compromise product temperature and, possibly, quality
- Add greenhouse gases to the environment

WHAT'S THE IMPACT? – CLOSING ALL THE DOORS AT BRAE BURN COUNTRY CLUB

FINANCIAL BENEFIT

Cost Avoidance* \$ 1,450 per location/year

ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT

Reduced Power Plant Emissions 4.3 tons of greenhouse gases

* Every dollar of energy waste is a dollar of revenue lost

** Based on 5,000 sq ft of dining facilities



Brae Burn Country Club

OVER to See How You Can Help Keep the Doors Closed



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What You, the Brae Burn Champion, Can Do

- Hold a team meeting and introduce the Tip; explain its importance; and show them how to implement it.
- When you're walking through your club, lead by example—close open doors and remind employees why you closed them.
- Hang up the “Close the Door!” theme posters in areas that your team will see them—by the back room and near the refrigerator box doors.

What Your Team Can Do

In this program, employees make the difference. If you help them to modify their every-day behaviors when they go outside for a break, help with deliveries, or open refrigerated box doors, you will give them the power to reduce costs and help the environment.

Here's what your employees can do to cut energy waste:

Back Doors

- Don't prop the door open when they're out back for a break or when taking a delivery.
- Remind vendors that doors must not be propped open.
- Report broken door hardware or worn weather stripping to managers.

Refrigerated Box Doors

- Don't prop the door open when loading or unloading stock; keep the door closed at all times.
- Remind vendors that doors must not be propped open – it distorts the hardware and wastes energy.
- Report broken door latches, hinges, plastic strip doors, or worn weather stripping to managers.
- Remember...always turn off the refrigerated box lights when unoccupied.