

# THE BENEFITS OF ELECTRIC LAWN EQUIPMENT



If you've been to your local home improvement store lately, you may have noticed a growing inventory of electric lawn equipment on display. Many consumers are making the switch from gas mowers to electric, and here are five compelling reasons why:

## 1. Lightweight & Maneuverable:

Electric lawn mowers are lighter than their gas-powered counterparts, which means they're easier to maneuver, unload, and store.

## 2. Longer Run Times:

The average walk-behind electric mower now has a run time of 45-50 minutes a charge – generally more than enough time to handle around a quarter acre. For larger yards, there are riding mowers that have a run time of nearly 2 hours!

## 3. Reduced noise and air pollution:

Electric mowers completely eliminate the fumes from gas-powered exhausts, and noise pollution can be reduced by as much as 20 decibels.

## 4. Easy Start:

Electric lawn equipment is easier to start up after languishing in the garage or shed for the winter and doesn't require a full tune-up at the start of the season.

## 5. Low Maintenance:

Electric lawn equipment has fewer moving parts than gas-powered equipment, which means it's easier and less expensive to maintain. You also won't need to fill up gas cans or schedule oil and air filter changes, resulting in less downtime.

All told, electric lawn mowers are becoming increasingly competitively priced, and continually improving battery technology makes it easier than ever to make the switch!

To learn more visit:



[UNITIL.COM/ELECTRIC-LAWN-EQUIPMENT](https://www.unitil.com/electric-lawn-equipment)

## PRO TIP: Optimize Your Room Air Conditioners

A little planning before installing your air conditioner will save you energy and money. Here are some Do's and Don'ts:

- ✓ **DO** make sure the unit is level when installed, so that the inside drainage system and other mechanisms operate efficiently.
- ✓ **DO** set the fan speed on high, except on very humid days. When humidity is high, set the fan speed on low for more comfort.
- ✓ **DO** consider using an interior fan in conjunction to spread the cooled air through your home without greatly increasing electricity use.
- ✗ **DON'T** place lamps or televisions near the air conditioner's thermostat. The thermostat senses heat from these appliances, which can cause the air conditioner to run longer than necessary.
- ✗ **DON'T** set your thermostat at a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner; it will not cool your home any faster and could result in excessive cooling and unnecessary expense.

## SHARING YOUR ACCOUNT INFO WITH A TRUSTEE

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## OUR COMMITMENT TO GAS SYSTEM SAFETY

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Ever pass a yellow pole and wonder what it's for? Utilities, like Unitil, mark their gas pipelines with yellow poles labeled with important safety information. Measures like this help keep gas systems safe and reliable.

Regular upgrades to infrastructure and technology also improve delivery. Working closely with emergency responders, Unitil conducts drills and trainings on emergency response procedures.

All these proactive measures and more keep the gas pipeline system safe and efficient. Because safety puts people first, and when you know your natural gas systems are safe and reliable, you can enjoy life. A Summary of Unitil's Integrity Management Plan is available at [UNITIL.COM/IMP](http://UNITIL.COM/IMP).



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