

March 26 - 29 | Are you ready to unplug?



BEYOND EARTH HOUR

CHALLENGE 2021

**EARTH HOUR IS
MARCH 27TH:
8:30PM - 9:30 PM**

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FIND OUT MORE:
[HTTP://connect2earth.org/earth-hour-2021/](http://connect2earth.org/earth-hour-2021/)

DO YOU HAVE SUB-METERING IN PLACE?

If you are a facility manager or are responsible for your office's operations, the first step to participating in the BOMA Toronto's Earth Hour Challenge is to have sub-metering in place.

WHY? Your energy consumption needs to be tracked (and measured) against your benchmark performance for 2 weekends prior.

REGISTRATION:

If you have sub-metering register at earthhour.bomatoronto.org
NOT SURE? Talk to your landlord and find out if you have sub-metering. The Earth Hour Tenant Challenge measures energy consumption from: **Friday, March 26th, at 6:00 PM to Monday, March 29th at 6:00 AM**

PARTICIPATION:

Drive participation in the Beyond Earth Hour Challenge by informing tenants about the weekend long challenge (March 26 - 29, 2021). Utilize this promotional tool kit to leverage your efforts. Access the tool kit here: earthhour.org/earth-hour-toolkit

IMPORTANT: Beyond Earth Hour Challenge participants enrolled in the BOMA Toronto race2reduce will be automatically entered, however, all race participants will be required to provide the necessary consumption data by the deadline of April 9, 2021.

ENGAGEMENT AT THE OFFICE

- Turn off monitors, computers and laptops
- Reduce plug load. Turn off power bars and charging devices when not in use
- Turn off any task lighting (desk lights, under desk or cabinet lighting)
- Adjust your lighting schedule over the Beyond Earth Hour Challenge weekend

ENGAGEMENT OUTSIDE OF THE OFFICE:

Encourage employees to participate at home.

- Turn off devices not in use: TV's, printer, stereo, desktop PC or other types of electronics
- Unplug devices when not in use, or use a smart power bar and set schedules so that digital devices are not using power while you are at work.
- Upgrading lighting. Switching to LEDs creates cost savings and can result in quick payback, especially with potential rebate offers.
- Turning off lights can drive big results. Upgrading lighting helps, but the most efficient light is a light that is off when not in use!

FUN THINGS TO DO DURING EARTH HOUR

Earth Hours gives us a chance to unplug.

Promote your involvement in the Beyond Earth Hour Challenge to employees & tenants and encourage them to participate at home.

- Play a board game or cards with your family using lanterns for lighting
- Go for a walk in your neighbourhood and see who else is unplugged
- Enjoy a candlelit dinner with someone special
- Find your zen. Try Yoga or enjoy a mindful moment.

And most importantly, please follow all public health guidelines to ensure all participants stay safe.



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