

10 Solutions to Air Pollution

A list of actions YOU can take to help “Spare the Air” in South Carolina!

- 1) Commute by carpool, vanpool, mass transit, biking or walking.
- 2) Work a flextime or an alternative schedule when possible.
- 3) Plan and combine your trips and errands to reduce driving.
- 4) Brown bag it - take your lunch to work instead of driving out for lunch.
- 5) Limit vehicle idling: avoid drive-thru lines and turn off your car when waiting in line at schools, banks and other places.
- 6) Don't top off your gas tank- escaping fumes contribute to ozone formation. Stop at the first click of the pump when fueling.
- 7) On Ozone Action Days, refuel vehicles in the afternoon or on days with no alert. For the Ozone Forecast visit: www.scdhec.gov/ozone.
- 8) Use environmentally safe paints and cleaning products.
- 9) Be energy efficient by using ENERGY STAR products; turn off lights and office equipment when not in use, and purchase compact fluorescent bulbs.
- 10) When purchasing a new car, consider a hybrid or other low emission vehicle.
Visit <http://www.fueleconomy.gov> before you shop for a vehicle.

For more ideas to reduce air pollution, visit this resource <http://www.epa.gov/air/peg/reduce.html>

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