

## **6 Tips on Saving Money on Gas ...**

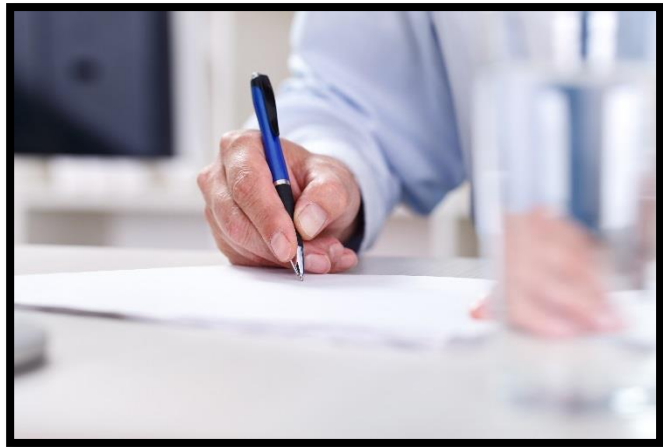
I don't know about you, but I don't like putting half my paycheck into the gas tank. With the price of gas these days, we need to start finding ways to save money on gas. In this posting, I am going to open up and give you some of my own personal tips on saving money on gas ...

### **1. Look at Your Air Filter**

If you don't know much about cars, take your vehicle to the local mechanic and ask them to check the air filter for you. One in four cars need to replace their air filter. When you replace this, you can improve your gas mileage by up to 10% - air filters are one of the cheapest parts you can buy for your vehicle.

### **2. Drive As if You Have a Mind**

Yes, I understand, slow traffic and traffic jams can make any driver crazy, but driving like a mad man (or woman) (rapidly accelerating) is not a very good way to go frugal. If you act as if you are in the Indy 50 and squeal away when the light turns green, you will pay for it at the



gas pump. So, when the light turns green, slowly take off ... you'll save your gas this way. Also, don't forget to use cruise control when you are on the highway – that is another good way to save gas.

### **3. Straighten Those Wheels Up**

When is the last time you had your wheels aligned? If it's been forever, not only are you wearing those wheels out, you are also forcing your engine to work harder. Go ahead, take your vehicle to the mechanic and ask them to align those tires for you.

### **4. Take Advantage of Your Smartphone**

No, I'm not telling you to text and drive, I am 100% against texting while driving ... but what I am saying is that you can use your Smartphone to map out the area and find a shorter route. You can also use it in order to check the traffic before you even leave your house – this way, you can avoid idling and backtracking.



### **5. Slow it Down**

You're not a Nascar driver trying to take home a trophy, so slow it down! By reducing your speed from 70 to 65 mile per hour, you actually save 14 cents. I know, 14 cents may not seem like a lot, but it can definitely add up.

### **6. Don't Carry So Much in the Car**

Is your trunk full? Clean it out. It actually takes gas to haul stuff around.

Those are my 6 tips on saving money on gas. Do you have any additional tips you would like to add to this list? Again, I would like to encourage my readers to open up and start commenting on my posts – I want you guys and girls to be heard as well and I'm sure you have a lot of good ideas to share.